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New Water Works, Sewerage System, Brick Streets, Brick Depot, Parks, Golf Course and Club House, Public Library, and a Modern Tourist Hotel are a Part of the Improvements That are Provided For St. Cloud This Spring

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ST. CLOUD TEMPERATURE

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VOL. 7, No. 32. EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK. ST. CLOUD, OSCEOLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1917. $2.00 PER YEAR. FIVE CENTS THE COPY.

SCHOOL BOARD DECIDES NOT TO DISCONTINUE CANNING CLUBS

Osceola County's Rural Schools Are in Fine Condition and Doing Well

A visit to the office of the county superintendent of schools last Monday disclosed the very encouraging fact that the rural schools are all doing well, and the sentiment for compulsory education seems to be wide-spread. The two votes that have been taken in the county so far show an overwhelming majority in favor of the measure. Several of the rural schools already have eight-month terms.

The question of abolishing the canning clubs came before the meeting and was discussed both pro and con. Among the speakers favoring the continuance of the clubs was Mr. J. M. Johnston, of St. Cloud. These clubs are jointly supported by the general government and the county school board in conjunction with the board of trade. It was finally decided that the clubs should be continued.

A committee from St. Cloud appeared before the board asking for authority to purchase a block in that city for school purposes. The result of their application is detailed elsewhere.

The 8th Annual Exodus Begins

SOME OF THEM LEAVING MONDAY

From the looks of the crowd at the depot last Monday morning one would have thought there was an excursion on the tapis to some of the great cities. The miserable shack which the Coast Line deems adequate for the necessities of St. Cloud was filled to overflowing, as was the adjacent street. It was not an excursion nor a picnic, nor anything of the kind, merely a few of the visitors and winter residents of St. Cloud beginning their pilgrimage to their northern homes, and their friends who had gathered to bid them good-bye. Representatives were there from many states of the Union and even from Canada, for St. Cloud is one of the most cosmopolitan of cities.

General good feeling prevailed for everyone asserted that they had had a most enjoyable winter, were delighted with the climate and people of St. Cloud, and would most certainly return next winter. Some of them had been coming to St. Cloud ever since the city was founded, and wanted no better place to pass the winter.

Among those leaving were: H. Cameron and wife and Mrs. Best, who go to Lyons, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hazen, to Milford, Ohio; Mr. Merchant, to Akron, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Rice, Boston, Mass.; Ward Woodhull, Angola, Ind.; J. E. Stearns and wife, Speonk, Long Island, N. Y.; J. H. Johnson, to Port Recovery, Ohio, stopping at the National Soldiers Home, Johnson City, Tenn.; F. S. Longley, Cornwall, N. Y.; W. W. Baker, St. Albans, Vt.; A. J. Finefrock and wife, Waynesburg, Ohio; Mr. H. L. King, Paw Paw, Mich.; Mr. E. A. Collins, Montpelier, O.; Samuel Buell, Kent, Ohio; Mrs. Bailey, Hartford, Conn.

KISSIMMEE LADIES PUT GOOD ONE OVER ON THE MERE MEN

Barred From the Men's Reception to the Home-Coming Guardsmen, They Give One of Their Own

The ladies of Kissimmee have fully demonstrated their ability to "run things" independent of any mere man. The men got together and organized a reception for the returning guardsmen, carefully excluding the ladies from any participation in the event. Did the ladies submit to such treatment? Not on your life! The mothers, wives and sweethearts didn't propose to put up with any such indignity. They felt that if anyone was qualified to welcome the khaki-clad boys it was the aforesaid wives, mothers, and sweethearts, so they organized a reception of their own, rigidly excluding the male sex. And they do say that it fas some reception too, that it made the men's reception seem, by comparison, like a hunter's camp in the jungle. There was an abundance of fair women and brave men, wonderful and entrancing gowns, fragrance of roses and gaiety of national colors. All went merry as the typical marriage bells and joy was unconfined. To crown it all, they even dared to caricature the speakers at the men's banquet. No man was so high and mighty as to escape the sarcastic shafts aimed at them by the fair speakers. Many hits were made, and the conceit of some of Kissimmee's finest received some solar plexus blows at the hands of the fair speakers. An attractive menu closed the evening and the boys showed themselves gallant as well as patriotic by "seeing the girls home."

Mr. Samuel W. Rode and family, of Maryland avenue, left on April 4th for Brownstown, Ill. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Chester Griffith and family. Mr. Rode is an old and loyal resident of St. Cloud, having passed eight winters here, and he firmly believes that his life has been prolonged by his coming to St. Cloud. They will return next winter.

OLD GLORY

FIRST VERSE

Now the final word is spoken,
We shall hold our ranks unbroken
With Old Glory as our token
Over land and sea;
'Tis the Flag we rally under
Not with mighty dreams of plunder
But to keep it's starry wonder
Stainless, proud and free.

CHORUS

Let our hearts be blended
In a union splendid,
A pledge unfurled to all the world
That freedom shall not perish undefended.
Not by hate or passion driven
Has our patient calm been riven,
But that through the world we live in
Men may still be free.

SECOND VERSE

Peace we sought and war we hated
But if blood and war be fated,
Let our strength be dedicated
Nobly to the fight.
Till the hosts of hate and error
Cease to blight the world with terror,
And the morrow shall be fairer
Following the night.

CHORUS

Men who fought before us
Mothers, you who bore us,
In this our task, your prayers we ask
To fill the vault of heaven with their chorus
Seeking loot or conquest never
Let it be our stern endeavor,
That our flag shall mean forever
Justice, Peace and Right.

—Berton Braley, in the Tampa Times.

KISSIMMEE EXTENDS TO THE G. A. R. AN OLD TIME SOUTHERN WELCOME

Meetings and Greetings of Old Comrades on Tuesday, Camp Fire and Election of Officers Wednesday

With blare of trumpets, rattle of drums, and the stirring notes of the fife, with Old Glory flung to the balmy Florida breezes from every point of vantage, Kissimmee gave to the old veterans of the Grand Army a right royal welcome. In the language of Mayor Cadel, in his speech of welcome, Kissimmee did not give them the keys of the city. On the contrary, she gave them the city, threw open wide the doors and flung away the keys.

As early as Monday the blue-coated and bronze-buttoned veterans began to arrive in numbers, and the Tuesday trains all were filled to the guards with the old boys. All hotels were quickly filled to their capacity, and long before nightfall automobiles were requisitioned to take the newcomers to private homes, where they could be accommodated. To Kissimmee's credit be it said, there was a very general spirit of hospitality prevailing and the sentiment was universally expressed that everything possible should be done to make the encampment one long to be remembered.

The Graystone hotel was general headquarters for the encampment, and was the gathering place of the visitors on Monday evening to listen to the address of welcome by Mayor Cadel, and a concert of patriotic airs given by the Kissimmee band in the band stand opposite the hotel.

Post Commander Melrath, of Jacksonville, responded to the address of

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RAPID INCREASE OF POPULATION DEMANDS NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

Block Purchased For Site, and Plans Will Be Made in Near Future

The local school board appeared before the County Board at its meeting last Monday and asked for authority to purchase an entire block in St. Cloud for school purposes. For some time it has been evident that our rapidly increasing population would call for additional school facilities. During the past year, in order to accommodate all the classes, it has been necessary to occupy the halls, which could not but be detrimental to the good order and discipline of the school.

The local school board, composed of Messrs. J. L. Hargrave, G. A. Bleech and B. Mann, decided that it was time to act, hence their visit to Kissimmee and application for authority.

With a wise foresight they considered that an entire block would be none too large for such a building as was contemplated. Upon their return Monday they announced the purchase of the block between Tenth and Eleventh streets and Michigan and Virginia avenues. As yet it is too early to announce any definite plans for the building, but in a general way it may be said that it will be fitted up first for the primary department and thus relieve the congestion of the present building, where three hundred pupils are housed but hardly accommodated. Later on, as occasion arises, the new building will be occupied by the High School Department, and the Primary will be transferred to the present building. During the coming summer definite plans will be formulated and the construction begun. The figure paid for the block has not been given out but it is certain that it is much less than it could be purchased for five years hence.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION ANNUAL PICNIC

About forty happy children, members of the Loyal Legion Temperance Legion, met at the home of Mrs. Kaufman on Ohio avenue, last Saturday morning, and marched to the picnic grounds on the lake front, between Ohio and Indiana avenues, singing "We Are Coming, We are Coming," and other temperance songs.

In the forenoon a short program was given, consisting of a drill, the rally cry, etc., showing that they had been well instructed along temperance principles. They responded readily to questions concerning L. T. L. work.

After a sumptuous dinner was disposed of many of the children repaired to the lake for a boat ride or a dip.

At 1:20 it was announced that the ice cream had arrived, and oh my, how quickly that delicious strawberry ice cream disappeared!

A few more songs, a snapshot or two of the entire company by Dr. Holloway, and we started on the homeward trip.

Mrs. Kaufman is certainly a fine entertainer and she was ably assisted by Prof. Northrop, who put up the swings, and by the ladies who helped with the dinner, etc. About sixty were present. Another happy day gone to its comrades in the great past.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore left for Salem, Ill., on Wednesday. They have wintered in St. Cloud every year since 1912 and will return to their home on Missouri avenue early in September.

Council Canvasses Vote

MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 1917

March 28, 1917.

Council met in special session for the purpose of canvassing the report of the election inspectors of the election held March 27th, 1917, the following being present: Levi Shambow, presiding; O. L. Buckmaster, J. I. Cummings, D. H. Gill, L. W. Farris and F. B. Kenney.

Moved by Gill, seconded by Cummings, that the following report of the inspectors of election be accepted and that the clerk be instructed to issue certificates of election to the candidates receiving the largest number of votes for the respective offices.

For Mayor:

L. Q. Bower	197
Levi Shambow	216
For Treasurer:	
A. G. Durham	273
E. E. Livermore	133
For Sanitary Inspector:	
O. L. Buckmaster	194
Z. T. McClay	210
For Superintendent of Streets:	
L. W. Farris	185
N. H. Washburn	227
For Bond Trustee:	
L. U. Zimmerman	344
Total ballots cas.	417
Spoiled and rejected	1

Dated this 27th day of March, 1917.

(Signed) H. A. Sheldon,
W. C. Russell,
G. C. Outlaw,
Inspectors.

Roll call: All yea.

President Shambow announced a special meeting for 10 a. m., April 2, at which time the council would pay bills incurred, and adjourned sine die.

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Commissioners Grant Petition For Bond Election in Districts 1 and 2

$100,000 WANTED TO CONNECT WITH DIXIE HIGHWAY, AND FINISH ST. CLOUD CUT OFF

At the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners at Kissimmee last Monday a petition was presented asking the board to call a special election for the purpose of voting on a bond issue in the sum of $100,000 for the construction of roads in Districts One and Two of this county, said districts including the city of Kissimmee and the towns of Campbell and Shingle Creek. In support of the petition Hon. C. A. Carson addressed the board at some length. He told of the narrow margin by which Kissimmee had been retained in its place on the Dixie Highway. It seems that the Central Highway Association had determined to change the route, going from Eustis to Lakeland, leaving Kissimmee out. Kissimmee heard the news and before the meeting at Orlando was many hours old a bunch of sixty-seven Kissimmeeites (or is it Kissimmeeans) joined the association at $2 per and voted to restore the status quo. So Kissimmee was placed on the map once more. As a participant put it "We dominated the meeting."

But to accomplish this it was necessary to assure the association that the missing link in the highway across Osceola county should be completed. To do this a bond issue was necessary. It was found to be impossible to make the issue as large as it should be to completely equip the county with good roads, owing to the determined opposition of certain large land companies, who announced that they would fight to the bitter end any issue over $100,000. Rather than involve the county in a law suit which might drag along for years, with an uncertain issue at the end the committee compromised on the above sum. It was believed that by using convict labor, under the direction of Capt. L. R. Farmer, it would be possible to construct the nine miles to the Polk county line, together with three miles of road between Kissimmee and St. Cloud. Only first class material would be used, and only the labor cost was to be cheapened. Under these conditions the board decided to grant the prayer of the petitioners and call an election.

The election will be called for some time in June, probably the early part of the month. To participate in this election, which is only for the two districts involved, it will be necessary that poll taxes should be paid prior to the second Saturday in May. This work is to be done entirely within the bond issue, the seven mill road tax to be kept intact for its regular uses.

Prosperity of the Wonder City As Shown By Bank Statement

THE TOTALS IN ALL LINES SHOW A GRATIFYING INCREASE

The conditions of the banks as is shown by their reports is the best criterionu by which to judge of the prosperous or unprosperous condition of any community. When the people have money in excess of their actual needs, it flows to the banks as naturally as the rivers to the sea. The banks are the natural repositories of the monies of the community. They stand as middlemen between the man who has money and the man who has none. They furnish facilities to both lender and borrower. When they are flush with money it means that the people are prosperous. Applying that test to the local bank is calculated to give the average citizen who likes to see his home town advancing, a very comfortable feeling. The government requires all national banks to report their actual condition at the close of business several times each year. No previous notice is given of the call for a report, hence it is an absolutely trustworthy statement of the bank's condition. As a matter of curiosity we have compared the statement of the First National Bank of St. Cloud, made November 17, 1916, with the report in this issue of March 5, 1917. The total resources of the bank in the November report were put at $458,941.83. In the March report they are $667,451.91, an increase of nearly fifty percent. This is a phenomenal increase. Deposits in November were $363,828.69; in March they were $571,775.52, showing an increase of $202,946.92. Again the increase was phenomenal, being over sixty per cent.

This showing is one of which every citizen may well be proud. It shows not only an able and conservative management of the bank, but it shows that the people and community of the Wonder City are prosperous to an unprecedented degree.

NO FUNDS FOR PARK AND HOSPITAL

A petition was presented to the county commissioners at their last meeting for the purchase of the island known as Hamock Grove, owned by Mr. A. E. Drought, for the combined purpose of the establishment of a hospital and park. The petition was signed by many of the most prominent citizens of the county, but was turned down by the board on the ground of "no funds."

Our old friend, Comrade Coleman, has sold his property near Lake Runnymede and intends to visit his children this summer. He will be back in St. Cloud before fall and will probably purchase land in the city.

Letters About St. Cloud That Have Appeared In the Northern Papers, Written by Visitors

Nowhere on Earth Is Found a More Even and Healthful Climate Than in St. Cloud

The last issue of the Herald contained a very interesting letter from D. O. Hoagland, who is now at St. Cloud, Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Hoagland are having a delightful trip and the letter was read with a great deal of interest by his friends in this section. The following letter will be found to be fully as interesting and instructive.

"St. Cloud is a city of about four thousand population, all white, and mostly northern people. Its dimensions are one mile north and south by two miles east and west, and its northern boundary extends to Lake East Tohopekaliga, which is a very beautiful body of water seven by nine miles in size. On this lake there is a pleasure boat capable of holding from 50 to 60 passengers and frequent excursions are made across the lake, for which the modest sum of 25 cents is charged. Many of these trips are enjoped by parties who hold picnics in a very beautiful grove acres the lake. This lake is the headwaters of the Kissimmee river and has outlets and inlets from connecting lakes to Lake Okeechobee. From there an outlet reaches either to the Gulf of Mexico by the natural outlet of the lake or to the Atlantic ocean, near Jacksonville through the St. Johns river. St. Cloud is on high land and her drainage is perfect. Typhoid fever is unknown. The town's electric light system is by no means extensive and we might say the same for the water system, which consists of a well 925 feet deep, the water from which is not extensively piped. There are few paved streets, but as this is a new town she has not yet gotten out of her swaddling clothes. Bonds in the sum of $100,000 have lately been voted for municipal improvements and the town will get there after a while.

St. Cloud has one bank, a good one, and numerous stores, at which most anything can be bought at reasonable prices. There is an ice plant and a good sanitary sewer system; many hotels and restaurants, bakeries and rooming houses. There are nine churches and a soldiers' memorial hall, where some fine programs are rendered, and a theatre, picture shows, etc. St. Cloud is 170 miles almost south of Jacksonville, and sixty miles nearly east of Tampa.

The population is made up pretty largely of old soldiers who range from well preserved old men to the very old a decrepit, whose movements are slow and made with the use of a crutch. The old soldiers who came to our country's rescue in the hour of here need are certainly deserving of the eternal gratitude of all true Americans. God bless them all and lengthen out their lives that they may enjoy many years of ease and happiness. We would strew flowers along their patway through life and wish that sorrows so incident to this life were not theirs. "Joy, sorrow, pleasures and pain are mingled like sunshine and rain." Many of these old soldiers find their haven here in the most even and healthful climate on this planet. Many of them have nice bungalows and modest little homes and others have small holdings in the country while others pass the winter in the hotels and rooming houses and return to their hames late in the spring. St. Cloud is made up of the most sociable people of any town I ever was in—in fact they are just as one big family. The town is located in latitude 28 and is supposed to be below the frost line, but they had a slight frost here on December 16, but it shows only on the banana groves. This does not happen once in a decade. The climate is much as Nebraska's in June. The roses and other flowers are in full bloom and a person can have on his table, fresh from the gardens, lettuce, cabbage, greens, sweet potatoes, green onions, tomatoes, green beans, radishes, celery, beets, Irish potatoes, peas, cassava (a substitute for potatoes and which tastes very much like them), and many other vegetables too numerous to mention.

The sunshine is quite warm in the middle of the day but we have a delightful cooling breeze which brings healthful and refreshing ozone from the Atlantic ocean and the Gulf of Mexico. Perhaps nowhere on earth will you find a more even and healthful climate, but to get the full benefit you should stay at least four to six months. Many claim that the summers are even nicer, as it never gets so warm as it does in the North. Oranges can be bought from thet orchard at three dozen for twenty-five cents, which are of a much finer flavor than the California oranges. Tangerines cost the same but they are smaller, although of a finer flavor than the orange. They have a lemon they call the Tonta Rosa, the weight of which is from one-half to two pounds, and one of them makes a gallon or more of good, strong lemonade. It is not popular however as an article of commerce, as the small lemons and limes have the better flavor. We made lemonade from one and enjoyed it fairly well.

Florida produces practically all the grapefruit that is raised in the United States, and it is of a much finer quality than that which we get in the North, as here it comes fresh from the tree. They sell at from 20c to 25c per dozen, and we greatly enjoy one with sugar every morning for breakfast. We get oysters here equal to the Baltimore oysters, which we like very much. Fish of a fine quality can be had fresh at reasonable prices.

The nights are cool and fine for sleeping and we are taking full advantage of it and wait until the old of day sets the example and then we slowly follow.

They use Central Time here, the as their systems run principally same as we use in Nebraska, which is an hour too slow and should be in the Eastern division, but the railroads use this time for their convenience as their systems run principally from northwest to southeast. St. Cloud is a dry town and the law is strictly enforced. Florida is a wet state at present, but it is not thought that it will remain so long. There are perhaps two thousand tourists here at present who have come to spend the winter and the rooming houses are pretty well filled up. In my next letter I will have something to say about the soil and diversified products of Florida.

D. O. Hoagland.

St Cloud, the Wonder City, Has Most of Conveniences of a Large City

To the Editor:—

We are spending the winter in St. Cloud, the Wonder City, which is a city of about 5,000, settled mostly by G. A. R. veterans. It is about 75 miles from Jacksonville, near the center of the state, and 70 miles from Tampa, right in the orange belt. We have all the oranges and grapefruit we want.

We will be in Gladwin about April the first.

A few lines to you and readers of your paper:

An invitation is extended to join us. If you are seeking a retreat from the chilly winds of the northeast and west you can do no better than to accept this invitation.

No stormy winds enter here,
'Tis joyous spring time throughout the year.

If your health is failing come and rest among the orange groves, flowers and pines. The climate of the colony is the most perfect in Florida. Come and you will remain with us. There is something in the air and soil that gives one a happy feeling and a smile. The yards and parks are full of the most beautiful flowers and roses the year round.

At the St. Cloud Development Co.'s office everyone is welcomed by Jas. Johnston with most pleasing manner. Here one finds all the products of St. Cloud. The comrades who have always taken pride in beautifying the city and developing the lands have responded so heartily to the solicitations of the company to supply specimens of fruits and vegetable products that the exhibits would do credit to any county fair.

The churches are many: Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, Catholic, Presbyterian, Christian, Seventh Day Adventists, and all are well supported. The amusements are: Theatres, boating, fishing in the most beautiful lake, East Tohopekaliga. They say that hunting deer, wild turkey and quail are some of the sports. We have had one turkey dinner. G. A. R. Hall is a feature of the place, something doing every day in the week.

Public school house is a two-story white brick. They have eight teachears, a principal and 300 pupils. Pretty good for a town only seven years old.

St. Cloud has most of the conveniences of a large city, and is soon to have a new brick depot. The suburban cars run from Gulf to coast.

We are pleasantly located with Mrs. Adams, on Indiana avenue, and like the Wonder City very much. Best wishes to you and all the readers of the Record.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Lee.
—Gladwin (Mich.) Record.

St. Cloud Is Great in Its Sociability and Its Welcome to Strangers

Editor Dispatch:—

Kincaid, Kan.—Thinking a letter about St. Cloud, Florida, might be interesting to some of your readers, I submit the following impressions of St. Cloud, as a newcomer to this town. Arriving on the morning of December 23rd, we were launched in the Christmas festivities. The whole town seemed to be busy with preparations for that wonderful day. Christmas, and gladsomeness seemed to permeate the atmosphere. We were made welcome by everyone we met. At the New St. Cloud hotel, where we spent several days before going to our own quarters on Connecticut avenue, we were very comfortably entertained by Mrs. Mosher and felt we were in the midst of a happy family. Truly, St. Cloud is great in its sociability and its welcome to strangers. The various churches had their entertainments and the hotel also had a beautifully decorated tree, on which were gifts for the guests provided by the hostess and some young friends. The Christmas festivities were closed by "Twelfth Night or Epiphany supper, by the Episcopalians, at the Guild Hall, a very attractive program being rendered. The musical numbers by the Three Wise Men were highly appreciated.

St. Cloud is about two and one-half miles long and two miles wide. Several miles of fine cement walks run in all directions, and more are now under course of construction. A great many new improvements are being pushed forward, among which are the letting of the contracts for the St. Cloud-Melbourne Boulevard, that will lead from Kissimmee, through this city to the Brevard line. Also a new brick station to handle the ever increasing business, with commodious waiting rooms for both white and colored people. A new postoffice, too, is in prospect, and is greatly needed, as the present one is insufficient.

Materials and tools for the erection of the water tower began to arrive this past week, and soon work will be under way for the sinking of the artesian well which will supply the city of St. Cloud with water in the new water works system. The city is kept in a sanitary, wholesome condition at all times, and it is a sweet, clean town. City parks are being planned for, and a landscape gardener will give time and attention to the artistic arrangement of flowers and shrubs. A paseo with fountain will make a delightful resting place on one of the beautiful avenues. Nothing is too good for the old veterans to enjoy. They have a splendid brick Memorial G. A. R. building here, where the G. A. R. associations meet every Saturday afternoon for entertainments. Another fine improvement in the near future will be the lake shore drive around East Lake Tohopekaliga. There are several lovely homes fronting on the lake. The lake is nine miles long by about seven wide. Picnic parties are taken across to Wildwood Park and other interesting points, where they can visit the orange groves. The boat Maud, with Captain Cope in charge, is always ready to accommodate any pleasure seeking people, and fishing parties leave Decker's Dock daily to play with and catch, if they can, members of the finny tribe.

This town is only about seven years old, and it is simply wonderful. The promoters of the town are men of rare enterpise and splendid common sense, aggressive and progresive and deserve the co-operation of every right-minded individual. They, in connection with the Development Co., and as a part of it, are doing a great work for the betterment of town and community. The Development Company has a room in the Makinson building, on New York avenue. There is record is kept of all the old veterans and visitors also, if they wish, so you can find friends easily. There too, is kept on exhibition products of the town and vicinity. It is a grand display and would do credit to any county fair. There are vegetables growing in boxes, the finest lettuce, cabbage, monster radishes, carrots and everything. Also various fruits, papayas, kumquats, Ponderosa lemons, citrons, and many others, and even fancy work by Mrs. J. McCarthy, made of the dishrag vine. All of these products came from gardens in St. Cloud. Mr. Rath has a wonderful garden, also Mr. Stewart, J. A. McCarthy and many others. Then there are the lovely, rich flowers that abound. There are wonderful possibilities in this place, and wonderful opportunities for enterprising men for instance: a good dairy farm, a poultry ranch, a steam laundry, a good apartment building for tourists or a row of cottages for light housekeeping. There is a splendid location on the corner of Tenth and New York avenue for a water-cure sanitarium, by enclosing that 900 foot well in a pagoda, making a thing of beauty of it and also using the water to bring health to those needing it would be a fine enterprise. The town is very full of visitors just now, for this is a winter resort, you know, and each year the number grows larger. The climate is superb. Here we are at the close of January with doors and windows open. The Doctor is sitting in the porch in shirt sleeves, soft summer sounds in the air. The sun sinking in the West throws a golden glow on the clouds, bushes and trees, are tinted and the tall pine trees with their lovely drapery of Spanish moss swinging and swaying in the soft, gentle breeze, I look up and exclaim: "Can it be possible this is winter?" It is marvelous, but you see it is the Wonder City of Florida. I invite you to come and see for yourself.

With best wishes,

E. L. Wing.

Would Have to Go to Heaven For a Better Climate, Says Mrs. Emma Moore

St. Cloud, Fla., Jan. 16, 1917.

St. Cloud is situated on the east of Lake Tohopekaliga, one of the finest lakes in Florida—a location not to be surpassed by any. We are keeping up with the nearby towns—what can be done by them can be done by us, and a finer climate you would have to go to heaven to get. It is good enough for my husband and myself, which is saying that it is good enough for anyone on earth.

The finest citrus fruits in the United States is raised in Florida. It would be a surprise to McCook county people to see the fine gardens that are raised in St. Cloud, one has only to learn how and when to plant here to raise great gardens. Flowers of all kinds thrive here and together with the ornamental trees and shrubs make a beautiful country to live in.

Of course we have our ups and downs but one and all should be grateful for the good on every hand, and if not satisfied one should remain long enough to see what our town is really like before condemning it or the country at large.

I have taken pains to make myself familiar with some outstanding facts about the state, which facts have been formulated by Florida's commissioner of agriculture, Mr. W. A. McRae, and since our friends in the North and West are making so many inquiries about conditions here that we are passing along the information through the Pioneer-Register.

According to the state commissioner's statistics Florida produces two-fifts of the world's supply of phosphate, and more phosphate has been discovered in Florida than will be mined in two hundred years at the present rate of demand. This state has two-thirds of this world's known Fuller's earth, and is actually mining seventy-five per cent of that, which is being used in the countries of the world. Up to the time of the panic Florida was producing sixty per cent of the naval stores in the United States, and we have produced a large per cent of the yellow pine lumber of this republic and still have the large areas of yellow pine timber yet standing that has never been touched by the lumberman's axe; the largest solid body of standing cypress in the world is found in this state and plenty of it is just a few miles east of St. Cloud. We have the only sponge producing waters, and a large area of sea bottom adapted to the growth of oysters. Ours is the second state in the Union in the production of citrus fruit and produces the best quality; and just remember that St. Cloud is only a young town. If we could go back just twenty years we could make good money right here in St. Cloud by getting our land under cultivation and setting it out to camphor of eucalyptus trees (which are not as much work as the citrus trees, and there is more profit in them).

There is some splendid soil here, and some that is not so good.

St. Cloud is a fine place to live in. The people are more friendly and sociable here than in our nearby towns. Come and try it.

Mrs. Emma Moore in Salem (S. D.) Pioneer-Register.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tuanicliffe left on Monday for their home in Rutherford, N. J. They propose to return here in September and will build on their lots in St. Cloud. They have Conn Apartments.

Cases of Eczema and Rheumatism Known to Have Been Cured by Bathing in Lake

St. Cloud, Fla., Jan. 16, 1917

Editor Tribune:

New Haven, Ind.

I intended writing you for quite a while, but have put it off from day to day till—well, you know how time flies, especially when there is so much to see that is so different from what we see in the North.

I have been here nearly fourteen months and still see new and interesting things right here in St. Cloud, the Wonder City.

This is truly a wonder city—founded about seven years ago by old soldiers, and what was then a lot of waste land, covered with palmetto and the stately pine and here and there a beautiful palm, sprung St. Cloud, the Wonder City, with a population of about 7,000, comprising people from every state in the Union and Canada. Ft. Wayne, Columbia City, Angola and New Haven representing the Hoosiers pretty strong.

Newcomers remark about the hospitality of the people of St. Cloud, and say the best people on earth are here.

We have good substantial business blocks of brick, cement blocks, and frame. The A. C. L. Railroad is going to replace their frame depot with a new brick one. Opposite the depot, or between it and the city, we will have a beautiful park. Work will soon begin on the water works and electric light plant. Sewers are being laid and the streets paved, besides the Dixie Highway which will give us a good road through here to the coast. With all of these improvements, we are to have more. We will get the first interurban in the state, Mr. W. S. Alyea, formerly of Indiana, is responsible for this, as he is also for the great race track or speedway ever contemplated. It will not come amiss to give you a little description of this speedway. It is proposed to build a brick track, one hundred feet wide, around our the prettiest lake in the U. S.) Lake East Tohopekaliga. A grandstand with a seating capacity of 50,000 people and a garage to accommodate 20,000 autos. Land owners around the lake are giving right-of-way over their property and a deed to every other lot. The sale of these lots will help pay for the building of the track. With a glass a person can follow a car all around the lake.

This lake is about five by seven miles, filled with all kinds of fish. The bottom is hard, white sand, free from stones and shells, thus affording the very best of bathing which is indulged in the year round. I was in bathing both on Christmas and New Years days. The water has a curative power well worth mentioning. I personally know of cases of rheumatism and eczema that have been permanently cured by bathing in the lake. The climate here is ideal both summer and winter. The winters are grand and I believe a person can prolong life here at least ten years if they don't wait till the last minute to come.

We are having fresh vegetables out of the garden now, the same as you have only in the summer. Strawberries are and have been in the market for some time.

Oranges, grapefruit, tangerines and other citrus fruits are being picked and shipped by the car-load from here.

The summers are cooler than any place I have ever been. It is true the sun shines down pretty hot, but there is always a cold breeze blowing, so one does not notice the heat so much and then if you get in the shade it is quite cool. There has never been a case of sunstroke here, and some of the old soldiers work in the gardens every day of the year. Before I came here I was told that nobody but natives and "niggers" could stand to work during the heat of the day. To that I will say there is nothing to it. A person making such a statement has either never spent a summer here or is telling a falsehood.

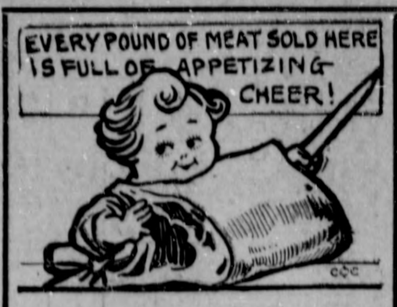
I have several letters from New Haven asking about the climate here, and have made answer to all through your paper and will inform them by card to watch the Tribune for their answer.

I forgot to mention the beautiful passenger boat "Maud," on the lake here, owned by a former Ft. Wayne man, "Capt." D. C. Cope. This boat takes parties around and across the lake to Capt. Cope's grove, where the large bay and cypress trees, heavily hung with Spanish moss affords the most ideal picnic grounds, where the large parties go to spend a very pleasant day.

Wish you would make up your mind to come to St. Cloud. Once here and your desire for the hot summers and cold winters there will vanish and you will be like the rest of us in saying "Florida is the best place on the earth."

With kind regards to one and all, I am,

Yours, W. T. Angel.



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LADIES' IMPROVEMENT CLUB

The Ladies Improvement Club met on March 21st at their regular meeting place, the G. A. R. Hall. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Dr. Cushman, Mrs. Hendrix filled the chair. After the minutes of the previous meeting were presented a bill covering the expenses of entertaining those who took part in the Chimes of Normany. A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Tunnicliffe who so generously donated the paper and envelopes and stamps. Dr. Cushman having just come, outlined her plan for Tag Day. This was to be held the same as last year, on election day.

A communication from Mrs. Edgar Lewis asking the club to become a member of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs. This was voted to be brought up at the next meeting. On Friday following the meeting of the club Mrs. Lewis visited St. Cloud in the interest of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs. She met with the ladies of the club at the home of Dr. Cushman, where she gave all the information she could to the ladies who in turn asked her questions of the federation in order to be more familiar with the work. This question will come up at the next meeting and all are urged to be present. An annonymous letter written by someone here in town was read to the club.

After the order of business Mrs. Metzgar gave a very interesting parliamentary drill, which was very much enjoyed by all.

Mrs. N. P. Curtis generously donated to the library one year each of the Metropolitan, Review of Reviews, all of which is very much appreciated.

Ruth Wylie, Press Cor.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Buffington, of Delaware avenue, left Monday morning for Paw Paw, Mich. They will stop enroute at Jacksonville and Chattanooga, and also at Dayton, O. Mr. Buffington spent the last winter here, and was so highly pleased with the climate and the people that he bought a place and will become a permanent resident. The Tribune follows him to the North.

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St. Cloud Garrison No. 141, A. & N. U. Regular meeting first and third Monday at 2 o'clock p. m., in Masonic Hall.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible school 9:30; morning service 10:30; evening Christian Endeavor 6:00; chart lecture 7:00; Wednesday, prayer meeting. All are cordially invited to all these services.

M. E. Church announcements:—Sunday school at 9:30; sermon at 10:30; Junior League at 2 p. m; Epworth League at 6 p. m. sermon at 7 p. m.; Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7 p. m; Rev. G. H. Northrop, pastor.

The Osceola County Republican Club meets at Masonic Hall the first Thursday in every month, at 2 p. m. Everybody invited.
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Christian Endeavor at 6 p. m.
Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7. J. T. W. Stewart, Pastor.

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IMPRESSIONS OF WONDER CITY AS SEEN BY NORTHERN VISITOR

St. Cloud, Fla., Feb. 23, 1917.
Editor Independent:

Thinking that the readers of your paper would be interested in a little news from Florida, I will tell you first that we can hardly imagine the cold weather you have had all over the North while we are enjoying such delightful times here, and have not been sick a day nor have had a cold, for which we are grateful.

Through December and January no fire was needed for warmth, only a very few evenings being cool and damp. After night the air is balmy and soft and it is such a pleasure to be out of doors. We walk to town almost every evening, it being five blocks, and enjoy it, and are led to exclaim, "Oh, how fine!"

The city is spread out, being two miles one way and one the other, and soon will be eight years old. Settled by soldiers of the Civil war and their wives and others of their friends and relatives, until there is a population of three thousand, and about as many tourists, all hotels and rooming houses are full and even private homes have had to take guests, so great has been the influx of northern tourists.

It is called the Wonder City, because of its growth in population and also for its sociability and good fellowship. It has more bald heads and gray hair per capita than any other city in America.

On the north lies Lake Tohopekaliga, where, on its beautidul waters the boat Maud carries picknickers across to Wildwood, a retreat cut out in the cypress woods and made a most interesting place to visit. Tall trees, several hundred feet high, and from their branches hanging the long Spanish moss swaying to and fro in the breeze. The lake affords a great quantity of fish that are caught by the trot-line method. The first day of February we had a high wind and freeze not before known since twenty-two years ago, doing untold damage to the young citrus trees especially, but did not injure the fruit of the other and older trees, so that it sells at the same price as before the freeze, oranges three dozen for 25c and grapefruit about 25c per dozen.

The strawberries just on the market were all frozen, but are blooming again now and will, we hope, be a good crop yet. Vegetables at their prime, were most all destroyed. Some varieties not so tender, came through all right, but people are planting once more and hope for a spring crop.

The Gasparilla annual fair was held this month at Tampa and last week our own county fair at Kissimmee, and now one at Orlando, about twenty miles north, are in progress.

You will wonder how we spend the time. There are numerous places of entertainment. The one that interests the old boys and girl of '61 and '6 the most is the Veterans' meetings held in Memorial hall every Saturday afternoon, consisting of introducing new-comers or home-comers to the audience and then getting their reply. All this is very interesting to all concerned. A program committee takes charge of an hour of readings, songs, vocal and instrumental music, etc., so that it makes a program worth 25 cents for a few cents that is asked for to pay the immediate expenses connected with it.

There are churches of the most popular denominations, so one may go where he chooses, and all are well filled.

Each state has an association meeting every month. To these, those inclined may go and be treated to the best of programs.

Iowa held a banquet at which over one hundred sat down to a bountiful dinner, followed by a program of good things. Surely we sang the song "Iowa," with good cheer.

The dress parade held by the boys in blue on January 1st, about 300 took part.

Then the 12th, Lincoln's birthday, a long march of societies, halting at Oak Grove Park, where the usual service was rendered. Speech on "Our Dear Lincoln."

Washington's the 22nd, capped all when by states, with appropriate banners, flags etc, paraded the streets and again halted in the park for exercises. And how warm, think of 92 degrees, like summer anyway.

This was suggested by the Iowa people and an Iowa man and woman represented George and Martha Washington in costume on horseback, while there was your "Uncle Samuel" and a "Goddess of Liberty" in line. This, it is said, exceeded any pageant ever held here, and we say, hurrah for Iowa!

There is one couple each here from Pocanontas, Manson and Toledo, so we feel at home with them, but every one is your friends.

I must state that in all these parades the school children form a part, each carrying a small flag. There are about six hundred in the school and they are taught patriotism to a finish.

The Woman's Relief presented the school with a flag for outside pole lately and also one to the G. A. R., to be used outside on the pole at the hall, and fittingly enough it was unfurled for the first time in honor of a charter member of the Corps at the time of her passing away last week.

And now I will close by wishing that all the boys who wore the blue could come and enjoy this mild climate, as it would add several years to their lives. Many come ill or with crutches and soon become improved and able to enjoy life.

Florida is the charmed land of the continent. It has the most restful and soothing climate in the world. It is the garden spot of the nation, the play ground of the rich and the paradise of the poor.

We herewith send greetings to the comrades and families, and to all our friends. Was made sad to read of the four passing over the river, called death. May God comfort the sorrowing ones left. Hoping we will again be with you in person, I am,

Yours truly,
Mrs. Levi Goodell.

GARDEN TIME IN FLORIDA

By W. A. McRae, State Commissioner of Agriculture.

The winter and spring are garden seasons in Florida. The winter garden time has gone, but the spring is here, and the hope is expressed that there may be gardens this spring back of every town home and on every farm in Florida, says Commissioner of Agriculture McRae.

The freeze injured the winter gardens and for that reason, not to speak of the prevailing high prices for food products, demands extra efforts right now. Plenty of information can be had from seed catalogues and from free publications of the United States Department of Agriculture, and the State Experiment Station at Gainesville. Besides there are garden experts in every community.

Cabbages and onions are no longer plebian, but have a new rating, having advanced from the lowly fifty-cent class into the three, four and five dollar circle. The onion has pushed the orange off the counter in price, right here in Florida. And a Plant City packing house is canning kraut, right among the strawberries and oranges.

Plant something; plant potatoes; plant peas; plant figs and peg away. Smile, as if you intended to play and pay, then keep on pegging and you will proceed along in the direction of plenty, at least you will be nearer to it than if you didn't try. With other plantings don't forget to plant a few hens.

It will be interesting to note in the matter of the freeze which caused a good deal of worry on account of the citrus crop that the rail movement from Florida up to March 1, was 14,120 cars of oranges and 3,388 cars of grapefruit for the corresponding period in 1916.

The women's clubs in some of the towns have given prizes for the best flower garden. Would it not be a good idea for commercial organizations and business men to give prizes for the best garden in each city and town of the state?

JOHNDEE SHOULD GET BUSY AT ONCE

The Kissimmee Oil Company Liable to Strike a Gusher Most Any Day

Word comes to the Tribune from a source which we consider reliable, although we are requested not to use names, that the prospects for a successful outcome of the oil well that is being put down at Kissimmee Park, are very bright. The immense impetus which would be given to this whole country should the anticipations of the company be realized can be imagined. Kissimmee Park, the site of the well, is but six miles from St. Cloud. The story of the company is known to many of our readers, but perhaps not to all. It was first known as the Pennsylvania Oil Company, afterward as the Kissimmee Oil Company, by which name it continues to be known. Not only are the indications of oil very encouraging, but there is also a slight flow of gas. The well has now reached a depth of about 2,400 feet, and it is thought that 300 to 400 feet more will decide the question favorably.

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WOMAN PLANTER COMPLIMENTED BY OFFICIALS

The first woman in the Philippines to take the lead in agricultural pursuits in her district is Mrs. Teodora Zavilla, in Santa Rosa Laguna, says the Times. Officials of the Bureau of Agriculture speak highly of the efforts of Mrs. Zavilla to improve agricultural operations in her district, stating that she has set an example which ought to be followed by all the farmers in the islands.

Reports of the activities of the woman farmer was received by the director of agriculture from Inspector McCarthy of the station in Santa Cruz Laguna. He stated that Mrs. Zavilla is now the foremost farmer in Santa Rosa district. She received instruction in seed selection from Inspector McCarthy, and then she trained fifteen of her own men whom she accompanied to the fields and assisted personally in selecting the rice seed for the next season's planting. Why should not Mrs. Zavilla be considered when the vote is extended to Philippine men? Will the fifteen men she trained be given a voice in self-government while Mrs. Zavilla, with all her ability, is dishonored in state government? What line of argument can possibly justify self-government for men in the Philippines and not include women?

HOG PRODUCTION INCREASING

E. R. Gentry, general hog buyer for Armour & Co. at Chicago was a recent visitor to the experiment station at Gainesville. The object if his visit to the South was to determine the status of hog production with a view to recommending an enlargement of the hog department in their packing house at Jacksonville. He is apparently satisfied that the enlargement will be a necessity.

Want Ads in the St. Cloud Tribune bring good results.

OPPORTUNITY

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When once I knock and fail to find you in;
For every day I stand outside your door
And bid you wake and rise to fight and win.
Wail not for precious chances passed away.
Weep not for golden ages on the mane;
Each night I burn the records of the day,
At sunrise every soul is born again.
Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped,
To vanished joys be blind and deaf and dumb;
My judgment seals the deaf past with the dead,
But never bind a moment yet to come.
Though deep in mire, wring not your hands and weep,
I lend my arm to all who say: "I can."
No shame-faced outcast ever sank so deep
But he might rise again and be a man.

—Walter Malone.

The Florida Good Roads Association will hold its annual meeting in Tallahassee April 11 and 12. There will be an interesting program which will include addresses by highway officials from various parts of the country, as well as from Florida.

Bowling Green has put up in cans about 2,200 quarts of strawberries, and is still at it. In addition to this fifteen to twenty barrels of sauerkraut is ready to put into cans, and more coming. The canneries will solve one of Florida's problems.

Government Organizing Industrial Forces

PERSONS WHO CAN ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT NOW OR LATER ARE URGED TO REGISTER THEIR NAMES.

The United States is endeavoring to avoid trouble encountered by other nations by lack of proper organizations and information as to the industrial workers, and the Civil Service Commission, charged with the duty of supplying employees to the various branches of government, desires to obtain the names and addresses of all mechanics, especially those who have had experience in the manufacture of munitions, the construction of ships, machinists, blacksmiths, ship carpenters, etc., who would be ready and willing to serve our country industrially. Not only does the commission desire information as to those who are NOW willing to accept employment, but also concerning those mechanics who would accept such employment in case of urgent government need.

Blanks upon which to furnisch information can be had by addressing the Civil Service Board, Federal Building, Tampa, Fla. The filling out of the blank does not obligate the signer to accept employment. The blank reads as follows:

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Name .....
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Arrangements have been practically completed to erect a large tourist hotel at Lake Alfred, to be ready for operation by the first of December, 1917. The building is to be three stories high, mission style of architecture, with stucco finish, sixty-five rooms each with private bath. The total cost will be in the neighborhood of $75,000. In connection with the hotel there will be a golf course, which is said will be the best in the state.

The cashier should be known by the company that keeps him.

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On the contrary, if he finds an unattractive town, if everything is ill kept and slatternly, with dirty streets littered with all manner of unsightly and unsanitary refuse, broken down fences, squalid back yards, and everywhere evidences of carelessness and indifference to appearances he will be very slow to cast his lot in such a town. It will require more than ordinary inducements to get him to remain. More than that, he will, as he goes away, advertise the town in a way that will not conduce to its future prosperity.

The most effective way of making the City Beautiful a practicality is in the cultivation of public sentiment. In fact, without the existence of such a sentiment little can be done, for it must be clearly a matter of individual effort. In the cultivation of the proper spirit there is no more efficient agent than the Ladies Improvement Club, which we already have.

These public spirited ladies can do much toward making the City Beautiful a practical reality. They can encourage the planting of trees, the cultivating of home places, yards, gardens and lawns, the placing of receptacles for trash and papers that would otherwise litter and disfigure the streets A "clean-up" week such as the ladies of Kissimmee have in contemplation when the streets and alleys as well as the front and back yards will be given a thorough going over would not be a bad idea. Doubtless the municipal authorities would gladly co-operate with the ladies in any movement which would result in a better and cleaner city.

Possibly the ladies already have these things in contemplation, and we may be butting in where we are not wanted. If so we most humbly beg pardon and ask the ladies to ascribe it to our enthusiasm for the City Beautiful, rather than to any intention to be impertinent.

LOYAL DIXIE

The annual reunion of the veteran soldiers of the Confederate states of America, to be held early in the coming summer, will take place for the first time in Washington city. If there is a thought that the federal capital was a goal which the Southern armies never attained it will not now be tinged with regret that this measure of success was never to come to the arm of the forces of secession. It might be a fitting compliment to this summer's event if the Grand Army of the Republic should choose Richmond as its place of encampment, bringing to mind the Unionists' four years of effort to capture the stronghold of Virginia's civil and military power.

Among the aged wearers of the blue and gray this year, whether their annual gathering shall find the United States in peace or in war, the spectacle of a country through which no dividing line of loyalty and disloyalty passes will be appreciated alike by those who upheld and those who opposed the Union of states fifty-odd years ago. In no section of the country at the present time is public sentiment stronger than in the South for upbuilding the honor of the nation, by arms if necessary, and for assuring that the flag shall offer protection to Americans at home and abroad.

A speaker at a public gathering in Richmond recently, on the occasion of the birthday of Robert E. Lee, referred to the effort that Richmond citizens had made to induce the Federal authorities to avail themselves of Virginia's industrial plants in forwarding the work of preparedness and defence. The delegation which visited Washington for this purpose was informed that it was considered that Richmond, owing to its proximity to the sea, would not be the most desirable place for centering industries of a military nature. The reply of the Richmondites was to the effect that after all it was hoped that northern congressmen would recall that "Richmond could be well fortified and had been ably defended."

And so doubtless wherever there is patriotic work going on in the Southern states, and so, too, at the coming gathering at the Confederate veterans, the remembrance of Southern fortitude and bravery in the days of the Civil war will be an inspiration for loyal service in any national emergencies which may shortly arise. Let us hear the rebel yell. It will signify no disloyalty, but the brave spirit to be up and doing for the common good of the country. The last northern suspicion of disloyalty in the South disappeared in 1898, as signified by a poet of Dixie, in the lines:

"Fitz Hugh Lee joined the Yankees,
Joe Wheeler wears the blue;
If they forget the war was fought
Why, hang it, I can too."

—Evening Bulletin, Providence, R. I.

APPRECIATIVE WORDS ANENT THE TRIBUNE EDITOR

At the risk of being charged with egotism we reprint the following from the Times-Union of Friday last, simply adding that Mr. Johnson will keep his own paper posted as to the doings of the legislature:

"Claud Johnson, the well known journalist, arrived here last night from his home at Kissimmee, on his way to Tallahassee, where he goes to join John G. Trice, both of whom will represent the Florida Times-Union during the session of the legislature, which convenes Monday.

"Mr. Johnson is one of the most popular newspaper writers in Florida, and he has hundreds of friends among the solons and capital attaches, who will be pleased to learn that he is to represent the Times-Union during the session. He leaves for the capital this morning."

The Russian revolutionists seem to have a deal of common sense in their make-up, and it is evident that the Kaiser will profit little by their action. They define the war as a contest "between the new spirit of democracy and the old spirit of imperialism," and propose to prosecute it to the bitter end.

Germany does not want war with the United States, says Bethman-Hollweg. Of course not. She merely wants the privilege of scuttling our ships, drowning our sailors and interfering with our trade generally, and is much surprised and even grieved that we should object.

The railroad managers' greatest objection to granting an eight hour day was the great expense involved, which they figured at $60,000,000. Now they are asking for authority to raise the freight rates to meet this added expense. As usual the dear people will have to pay the bill.

We desire to call especial attention to the editorial in this issue entitled "Loyal Dixie," taken from the evening Bulletin, of Providence, R. I. Its appreciation of Southern fortitude and loyalty is peculiarly grateful to Southern ears at this trying time in our nation's history.

At the time of the Boxer war in China, the German Kaiser gave his soldiers instructions to so act that for a thousand years no Chinese would dare face a German. Evidently the German soldiers in Belgium had similar instructions.

From 10 to 20 per cent advance is what the railroads propose to assess the people to meet the extra expense caused by the adoption of the eight hour day. The ultimate consumer is the only one unable to pass the buck along.

If congress should declare that a state of war exists with Germany, every flag in the country should be flung to the breeze, not in jubilation, for such a thing would be deplorable, but as an exhibition of patriotic fervor.

The Germans are jubilating over their success in "getting the enemy out of their trenches" in France, by running away from them. Reminds us of Paddy who "got his nose between his enemy's teeth, bedad, and just held him there."

The Tampa Times, in a recent issue, tells of a half dozen new ways of cooking "the same old potato," but—most important of all—it fails to tell us how to get the potato.

This is the open season for German spies, and the secret service men are as busy as bees in spring time.

Important if true—Onions are said to be legal tender for beer in Connecticut.

Seventy-one farm tractors are in use in Florida. Over 3,000 in Illinois.

Are these aviation meets responsible for the high price of beef?

Plant a garden and cheat old H. C. L.

Place Patriotism above Partizanship.

Easter Sunday, April 8th.

Rally 'round the Flag!

Show your colors.

War is on!

THE PRESIDENT ANALYZED

"What will most interest the people of the United States as they study Woodrow Wilson at the end of his first term and the beginning of his second is the manner of man he is. By this time most of the mystery has dropped away from him. We see him gifted in speech; with few close personal friends; stoical in adversity; modest in victory; silent under abuse; resolute to the point of being obstinate; often too slow, though sometimes as swift as light; an idealist, but also a prudent and adroit man. He has undoubtedly a passion for the high things of the United States. That he may compass more of them in the next four years than in the four that are passed will be the wish today of all Americans for a man who, whatever he has done or failed to do, has made the American presidency in the eyes of the world glitter beyond any throne!"—N. Y. Evening Post.

A TRIBUTE TO KISSIMMEE

Of all cattle scourges, the tick is one of the most feared and most energetically combated. The modern method of eradication is to dip the infected animals in vats containing antiseptic liquids. Many large ranches have their own vats in which cattle are immersed at frequent intervals Vats inspected and recognized by the United States Bureau of Animal Industry are usually maintained at points convenient to interstate trafic.

The town of Kissimmee, Fla., received a tribute as a center for cattle shipments, when it was recently designated as a place whose vat would shortly be recognized as giving cattle a tick-free card to any part of the United States.

Many cattle are raised on the open ranges of Osceola county, of which Kissimmee is a center.—Agwi Steamship News.

WHY SOME TOWNS GROW

The reason why some towns grow is because there are men of push and energy in them who are not afraid to spend time and money to boost their town. They erect good buildings, organize stock companies and establish factories, secure railroads, work for public improvements and use every means in their power to induce people to locate in their city. Wherever they go they tell the advantages of their cities, they write about them in every letter, they send circulars and newspapers to all whom they think they can get to visit their city, and when any one visits them treat them so kindly that they fall in love with them and their city at once. It is enterprise and everyone pulling together that make a progressive town, and don't let the fact escape your memory.—Exchange.

Fair Association Wants Return of Money Paid Kissimmee Band

COMMISSIONERS DECLINE TO ACT IN CASE, CLAIMING THEY HAVE NO FUNDS TO REIMBURSE

A curious, not to say perplexing complication came up before the board of county commissioners at their meeting Monday. It seems that by way of encouragement to the Kissimmee Concert Band the last board agreed to pay them $50 per month, one of the conditions being that they should play four days for the Fair Association without charge. When fair time came the association called upon the band for the music the boys declined to play without remuneration, claiming that they did not know of any such condition. They demanded of the Fair Association $125 for the music desired, which the Association paid, rather than have no music for the fair.

Now comes up before the commissioners Mr. E. A. Thomas, representing the Fair Association, asking to be reimbursed for the $125 paid to the band, and that it be taken from the amount due the band from the county. The band, represented by Gus. Smith, fought the proposition, claiming that if there were any such conditions it was inserted without the knowledge of the band, and that they ought not to be bound by it. The question twas wrangled over for two or three hours, finally resulting in a decision by the board that they had no funds to use for any such purpose, and the matter was dropped with nothing done.

COUNCIL CANVASSES VOTE

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Moved by Gill, seconded by Buckmaster, to adjourn. All yea.

Levi Shambow,
Prest Council.

Attest:
City Clerk,

April 2, 1917.

Council met in special session, with Levi Shambow presiding; O. L. Buckmaster, J. I. Cummings, D. H. Gill, L. W. Farris and F. B. Kenney present.

The purpose of the meeting was to allow bills incurred by this council.

Moved by Buckmaster, seconded by Farris, that the following bills be allowed:

O. C. Knight, freight	$135.52
O. C. Knight, do	429.56
St. Cloud Dev. Co. block 134	1,000.00
Ernest Vockrodt, lot cleaning	28.80
T. A. Horn, hay	22.57
J. W. Embrey, carpenter work	4.40
Edd George, shop work	2.25
F. F. H. Pope, pipe and lbr	71.25
A. U. Cooley, cemetery work	3.00
St. Cloud Pub. Util. Co.	21.87
Buckley & Morgan, lumber	8.76
J. F. Daniels, voting booths	10.00
Durham's, ligh bulbs	9.20
H. E. Wylie, surveying	22.50
J. L. Overstreet, rec. fees	26.75
Sengbusch Inkstand Co.	3.25
Roberts & Son, asmt. rolls	28.05
Chas. H. Sapp, lot cleaning	24.00
J. J. Smith, do	28.80
Lynn Daugherty, rodman	4.00

Roll call: All yea.

Matter of location for freight depot discussed, and the council unanimously agreed that the city should give twenty feet of the public land adjoining the railroad right of way between New York and Pennsylvania avenues.

Moved by Buckmaster, seconded by Farris, that the statement of Mr. B. F. Ralls, that he would secure bonds for city officers as quickly as possible, be accepted and that the officers be allowed to assume their duties. All yea.

Moved by Farris, seconded by Gill, that this council adjourn sine die. All yea.

Levi Shambow,
Prest. Council.

Attest:
Fred B. Kenney, City Clerk.

April 2, 1917.

Council met in special session for the purpose of organizing the new council, the following being present: Levi Shambow, presiding; A. G. Durham, D. H. Gill, F. B. Kenney, Z. T. McClay and N. H. Washburn.

Moved by Durham, seconded by Gill, that the collector retain all collections until treasurer-elect files bond and the out-going treasurer's accounts have been audited. All yea.

Moved by Washburn, seconded by Kenney, to adjourn. All yea.

Levi Shambow,
Prest. Council.

Attest:
Fred B. Kenney, City Clerk.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Louisa E. Calvin passed away April 1st, at the age of seventy-four. She was making her home at Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Raymond, at which place she has been stopping for the past three winters. She came February 8th, but was sick and with Dr. Chunn's care she grew better and Saturday was feeling fine and sat up unusually late. She was taken ill between 3 and 4 Sunday afternoon and passed away a few minutes later. She was loved by all who knew her.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all who were so kind in the burial of Mrs. Calvin.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Raymond.

FREE!

THIS WEEK ONE PAIR MEN'S OR LADIES' SHOES

Remember we give coupon with duplicate number with each purchase, and Saturday night at eight o'clock some one will be presented with one pair of shoes free.

NEXT WEEK WE WILL GIVE AWAY A FINE $2 UMBRELLA

Hold your coupons and be on hand Saturday night and see who is the lucky one.

H. C. STANFORD CO.

New York Ave. Next to Big Hotel

Bean Eaters Emigrate Back to Bean Land--Sad Day

Dear Aunt Maggie:

All is lonely and dark up on the hill now. The little birdies have begun to build their little nests over the transoms, and the wasps are daubing mud in the keyholes, while the little mousies are having the time of their lives rolling a stray bean or two about on the floor. You will note that I said "beans." Well, some folks know "beans," and others don't. I dare say these folks knew "beans," for are they not from the greatest beanery in the Union—Massachusetts? I'll bet you a jitney's worth of pink ones that the bunch of 'em are half choked on beans this minute, up in Provincetown.

Yes, Aunt Maggie, early Tuesday morning old man Frederick Augustus Fisher, the king pin of that Fisher aggregation, spit on his hands and pulled up an extra hitch in his breeches and rolled up to the front door in his Overland, ready for the rest of his tribe; Mother Sarah L., with an appreciative sense of propriety, gave the cat one final and graceful boot out the back door, turned the latch, gave one glance or two about the premises and, fearing lest something be left undone, she wound up the clock, as has been her bed time custom for lo these many moons, then at once joined the paterfamilias out in the car. That grand old maid of the family, Mrs. Marion Annie, of course had to tarry and pour ointment on the ruffled feelings of our recently ejected feline friend. The little cricket which had already begun to emit his celebrating song evidently added to the solemnity of the occasion for her, for she hesitated, seemingly entranced, and was only awakened by the rude cackle of Father Fisher's newly acquired $2.50 horn, for the sound of which he had of late annexed an exceeding fondness.

Then, Aunt Maggie, the following day, Wednesday, in the evening to be correct, the rest of that Massachusetts tribe, departed this immediate vicinity. Of course, some folks were glad, and other were, well—rather sad. In this second and last instalment of "departing" friends, etc., were included one Joseph Silva Pine, he who reminded me so much of Romeo, (remember?). Then there was Mrs. Mary Rogers Pine, Joseph's consort, and a most estimable lady; in their wake, of course, followed the family cherub, Miss Grace. Lonesome indeed will be that hillside, which still echoes with her early morning warbles and the sweet strains of ta-ra-ra-bum-de-ya, that classic of classics, which she could so ably render.

Following in the van of the above was the Hughes family. Auntie, you remember our good old pal, Hezekiah Petroleum Hughes? Well, he and his dear little girlie, Mrs. Orie, were of the party. They also have left their little patch of corn all alone to do the best it can. I have been asked by the neighbors to send to a mail order house and buy some tassles for it.

And last, but not least, Aunt Maggie, your old Auntie Chase has also chased herself out of these environs. She has gone, parasol and all, and I certainly envy the good old moments the rest of the party will endure by reason of her presence with them. She is still as jolly and chock full of joy and mischief as ever, and when they come back next fall I want you to be sure and come with them. The flag at my place of abode is at half-mast, Aunt Maggie, out of mourning for the dear "departed." The whole neighborhood misses them and will be glad to see them again.

Some will weep for weeks, and pine some more.

Eben.

COMRADE BOWER FALLS IN LINE

I take this means of thanking my many friends for their splendid support in the late city election for mayor. While we did not land the job we feel we have gained a victory. Ten votes from my competitor's side would have told a different tale. There were a few unkind remarks made that savored some of old dead issues. I suppose under our system of government we must expect such things.

God grant with all our boasted civilization the time may speedily come when Americans will rise above such things. I had never met my competitor, Mayor Shambow, until the morning of the election. He very courteously exchanged cards with me. Indeed I was much impressed with his being a perfect gentleman. In conclusion I wish to say to Mayor Shambow that he will have no more loyal citizen in St. Cloud for the betterment of St. Cloud than myself.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Q. Bower.

Gone up Salt River, to Return Later.

Want ads in the St. Cloud Tribune bring good results.

IN A FEW DAYS

—the City Council will adopt an ordinance regulating plumbing and appoint an inspector to see that its regulations are complied with before connection with the water works and sewer mains can be made. This ordinance will provide for a first-class sanitary plumbing, such as will require the services of an expert in that line. The reason of the adoption of such an ordinance, which to those not familiar with plumbing will appear arbitrary in its terms, is to protect the health of the people, and not intended to favor any one at any time in any manner. This being the case, it behooves those having plumbing done to see to it that it is done in such a manner as will meet all requirements of the law and stand the test.

The St. Cloud Plumbing Co. is a firmly established business, its owners are permanent residents, and not fly-by-nights, it has as a member of the firm a mechanic the equal of any in Florida or any other state, he possesses credentials from the United States government, a certificate as an expert from the Board of Plumbing Commissioners at Tampa, and is thoroughly competent in every way to not only do plumbing in the most approved and sanitary manner, but can draw the plans and write the specifications of any job, whether it be for a three-room cottage or a ten-story hotel.

The St. Cloud Plumbing Co. carries a full line of bath room fixtures as well as kitchen accessories, and is prepared to equip a dwelling or business house at once. This company asks the opportunity to write your specifications and figure your job of plumbing. It will cost you nothing, and may save you much money and considerable anxiety of mind.

St. Cloud Plumbing Co.

10th St. between Pennsylvania and Florida Aves.

S. J. TRIPLETT ST. CLOUD, FLA. JAS. F. SCOTT

We Do Only Sanitary Plumbing

ALL SIZES AT VARIOUS PRICES

PHOTOGRAPHIC SUPPLIES

CAMERAS FOR SUMMER TRIPS

The Kind that "Make Good"

SEMINOLE PHARMACY

PHONE 11 — THE REXALL STORE — "WHERE QUALITY COUNTS" — ST. CLOUD

COMING VISITING GOING

ST. CLOUDLETS

LOCAL PERSONAL SOCIAL

You can pay county or city taxes at A. E. Drought's office. 20-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hines, who have been staying at Cornelia Court, have returned to their home on Long Island.

Dr. W. C. Bastar, of Benton Harbor, Mich., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Hendrix.

Miss Alba Fortner, of Kissimmee, and Miss Alberta O'Berry, of Palatka, were guests of Miss Pearl Creel at the New St. Cloud hotel Saturday.

Mr. David Harden has purchased the farm property of Mr. M. W. Lawton and will shortly move on to his new property. He purposes to grow truck and so forth.

For fresh fruits and vegetables, tomato plants and seeds go to Smith's market, on Tenth St. 30tf

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rode and daughter left St. Cloud on Wednesday. They are regular winter visitors here and have a handsome residence. They intend to return early in the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wood, of 210 N. Massachusets avenue, entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Allison, of Alliance, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Greenawalt, on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. C. M. Coburn, wife and son, of Memphis, Tenn. arrived Monday night and are stopping at the New St. Cloud hotel. Mr. Coburn is connected with the United States Sanitary Septic Tank Co.

Secure your souvenirs at half price from Durham's Department Store. 32-1t

Mr. and Mrs. Hart Vance, of Des Moines, Iowa, who have spent two months with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Vance, left for East Coast points before leaving for their home in the North.

When in Kissimmee eat at Mack's Cafe. Home cooking, good service. The home of fried oysters and real coffee. 15-tf

Mrs. A. J. Bozarth left St. Cloud Monday morning for Chattanooga and Centernen, Mo. She will return next winter to St. Cloud. She was delighted with our climate.

Don't forget the Votan Coffee demonstration at Hargrave's Store on Saturday, April 7th. 32-1t

Mr. M. W. Lawton has purchased the David Harden house on Pennsylvania avenue, known as the Livingston house, and will shortly move into this city. We are glad to have Mr. Lawton as a permanent citizen again.

Frank S. Longley, who has spent a very pleasant winter at the the winter at Sunnyside Villa, left the first of the week for Cornwall Landing, N. Y. He will visit Washington on his way home, where he intends to attend the Pacifists' meeting.

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday will be show night at the Palm during the summer. 31-tf

Lewis Woods left Tuesday morning for his home in Clendinin, W. Va., after spending a very delightful winter season in the Wonder City. He is so enamoured of Florida's balmy climate that when he returns next winter we hope he will linger longer.

Calico Rags

Phone 19 and we will send our man to your house for calico rags; large pieces preferred

WANTED

S. W. Porter, real estate, insurance.

Mrs. M. W. Veeder, Mr. A. W. Daugherty, Mr. F. Thayer, Mr. B. Hulbert enjoyed a pleasant auto trip Saturday to Orlando, the guests of friends living in the environs of St. Cloud last Sunday.

Mr. Frank Shannon and Mr. A. S. Craig, two prominent gentlemen of the North, who have been touring Florida this winter, paid the Tribune a very pleasant call last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Roome left on Monday morning for the North. Mr. Roome will go to Johnson City for temporary treatment and the couple will then return to their home in Malden, Mass. Mr. Roome says he is coming back to his 1¼-acre farm next fall.

One-quarter off on all jewelry, at Durham's Department Store. 32-1t

Mr. Holcomb, from Dakota, who is a property owner here, and also at Lynn Haven, paid a flying visit to St. Cloud on Friday last, coming here from Lynn Haven. He is very much impressed with St. Cloud as a coming city and will bring his wife here another season if his business can be arranged.

Mr. Henry M. Bedford and family left for Bristol, Ind., last Tuesday. Mr. Bedford has been a winter resident of St. Cloud for the past five years, and purposes to return next winter when the snow begins to fly up North. He says he "just couldn't stay away from good old St. Cloud in the winter.

Mrs. Mary J. Curtis and Mrs. Clara S. Wililams, who have been spending several weeks at Mrs. Hascher's, left on Tuesday for Travers City, Mich. They stated before leaving that they were very well pleased with the city and that they intended to return next season and would probably build on property owned by Mr. Curtis.

Call at Hargrave's Store Saturday, April 7 and get a cup of that delicious Votan Coffee. 32-1t

Mayor J. B. Sanford returned from touring Florida for a period of three weeks. He brings glowing reports of the land of flowers and sunshine in Ponce De Leon's land. He gives many interesting reminiscences of former friends, citizens of this city, now sojourning in Florida. The mayor is looking much improved by his trip.—Ashland (Ky.) Independent.

It seems we made a slight mistake last week in the name of the party who bought the Cooper place. It should have been Cathcart instead of Cartwright. Seems to have been a case of getting the Cart(wright) before the horse instead of after the (Cath)cart, where it should have been. Of course that was wrong and we cheerfully make the correction.

During the summer we will show three nights per week at the Palm, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. 31tf

Mr. J. W. Smith, a veteran of Co. H, 92nd Ohio, brought into the office of the St. Cloud Development Company on Saturday last four fine Red Bliss potatoes which weighed one and one-half pounds. These potatoes were planted on January 20th and were just showing out of the ground at the time of the freeze, February 2nd. Ft. Cloud can certainly grow Irish potatoes.

White dress goods, 10c per yard, at Durham's Department Store. 32-1t

Miss Myrda B. Wimpy has sold her lots and buildings on Pennsylvania avenue to Capt. L. T. Frost and has purchased from Capt. Frost his farm and buildings just outside the town's limits, comprising about ten acres. Miss Wimpy will engage in raising chickens and intends to cultivate her farm. We are pleased that this enterprising young lady has cast her lot permanently with us, and we wish her every success in her venture.

This week's special, one-half off on all souvenirs except alligator goods. Durham's Department Store. 32-1t

Mr. Fred Thayer returned to St. Cloud on Saturday. He reports it the best place in Florida for him.

Miss May Pettis left on Mondaty for Minnesota. She was accompanied by her cousin, Mr. Adney Pettis, of Minnesota.

The Ohio Association is to meet at the old G. A. R. hall Wednesday, April 11th, at 2 o'clock. All Ohio people are welcome.

Mr. Brent, from Toledo, Ohio, just left for home. He has been visiting his sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Mercereau.

Don't forget the Easter supper at the old G. A. R. hall by the Eastern Star ladies, beginning at four o'clock, Saturday, April 7th.

Comrades Burton Hulbert and Chas. doubt be a great pleasure to spend the time of their lives last week camping out at Lake Conley. There was fine fishing and plenty to eat. They returned home Saturday.

Preaching at Fifteenth and Minnesota avenue, at 11 a. m. Sunday. The subject will be "The Wedding Garment and the Marriage of the Lamb." In the evening there will be a special event, the "Near Coming of the Lord."

Miss Edith Williams, one of St. Cloud's most popular young ladies, leaves next Friday or Saturday for her home, Valparaiso, Ind. She has been clerking during the winter in Zimmerman's store. The younger set will regret to see her go, but hope for her return next winter.

Mrs. Mary J. Curtis and Clara S. Williams are leaving for Jacksonville to spend a short time before going to their home in Michigan. This was their first winter in St. Cloud, and their stay here was very much enjoyed, so they say. As proof of this they say "watch for us next winter."

Miss Lucy Chandler, Mrs. R. J. Dawson and Miss May Holden spent several days last week visiting Tampa and vicinity. While at Tampa they visited Mrs. Madge Nighswonger and Earl, who is gaining every day and hopes to be well before long. He is expecting to visit St. Cloud after his school closes.

Dr. and Mrs. Silas Cooke, Rev. J T. W. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart are attending the meeting of the Florida Presbytery at Auburndale this week. Dr. Cooke was pastor of the Auburndale church for three years before coming to St. Cloud, and it will no doubt be a great pleasure to spenr the week with friends in that little city.

Mr. Geo. I. Vaughn, with the U. S. Sanitary Septic Tank Co., of Memphis, Tenn., who have the contract for the sewers here, is leaving the service of the company and left here Wednesday night for Atlanta, where he will spend several days with his relatives. From there he says he will go to Memphis, his home. Asked about his future, he said: "From the looks of things I will go back into the army, as I have already served four years with the colors."

Among the real estate deals of the past week has been the sale through the Diefendorf agency of the Dr Farris place on New York avenue, to Mr. W. W. Riley. By this purchase Mr. Riley comes into possession of one of the finest places in the city and is to be congratulated on his acquisition. He will make it his permanent residence, and we are sure he will be welcomed by St. Cloud citizens with their usual hospitality. Possession is to be given April 13th.

Just received a nice lot of Schloss Brothers' spring and summer suits for men, light-weight goods; just the thing for hot weather. H. C. Stanford Company. 32-1t

An extra volume of black smoke from a baker's shop on Pennsylvania avenue, pouring over the adjacent roofs last Friday at the noon hour, impressed a few excitable individuals with the idea that a conflagration was imminent. The alarm was given, the fire bell clanged in the most approved style, the engine was dragged out, and all the paraphernalia of the city's fire fighters was gotten ready in a hurry, only to find that it was a false alarm. But it is better to be safe than sorry, and better a dozen false alarms than one real fire.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Lockwood, well known and popular winter residents of this city, leave Saturday for their summer home at Cos Cob, Conn. They expect to make a leisurely progress motoring in their Hudson car to Jacksonville, and thence by sea to New York. En route they will stop at Winter Park for a visit with their son, who is in attendance at Rollins College. Mr. Lockwood has extensive interests in this vicinity, including a fine orange grove at Narcoossee.

To any one wishing to take up china painting I would like to announce that for a short time only I will give lessons in classes for 50c each lesson. Please notify at once if you desire to join one of my classes. Studio corner New York avenue and Seventh street. Mrs. Gertrude Zimmerman. 28-tf

Mrs. F. O. Gilbert invited a few friends to a farewell party for Miss Mildred Fowler at her home on Indiana avenue Monday afternoon. The ladies brought their needlework and a pleasant and profitable afternoon was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Gilbert served a dainty lunch, assisted by Katherine Farr and Erma Bircher. The guests were Mesdames Conn, Baxter, Gibbs, Evans, Hatcher and niece, Johnston, Brammar, Hollenbaugh, Manypenny, Sprague, Fowler, Miss Fowler and Mrs. Gilbert.

Coffee demonstration at Hargrave's Store, Saturday, April 7. 32-1t

On Thursday, March 29th, Mrs. W. H. Fowler entertained in honor of Miss Mildred Fowler and a few of her young friends, at Walreca Cottage, west of St. Cloud. Some of the party came in autos while others enjoyed the moonlight walk. Music was much enjoyed by all, also much meriment was caused by the riddle stunt. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Fowler. Those present were the Misses Elenora West, Marion Harman, Ruth Bleech, Katherine Farr, Gladys Saunders, Mildred Fowler, Vera Hargrave, Mr. James Hoffman, Paul Northrop, Frances Franch, Dan Armstrong, Lloyd Hettinger and Otto Bleech.

Mrs. R. J. Dawson, Master Kenneth Dawson and Miss Lucy Chandler left Monday for Cleveland, Ohio. They were planning to stop at Petersburg, Va., and Washington, D. C., en route. While here they enjoyed the social life of St. Cloud, also some little picnics for their pleasure, one on the lake front, the company consisting of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Holden and their daughter May; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Empson, Miss Lucy Chandler, Mrs. R. J. Dawson and Kenneth Dawson; another at Cypress Grove, the company consisting of Miss May Pettis, Mr. A. Pettis, Mr. Jack Berberry, Miss May Holden, Miss Lucy Chandler, Mrs. R. J. Dawson, and Kenneth. After dinner a dip in the lake was enjoyed.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The regular bi-weekly meeting of the De Lem Literary Society of the St. Cloud High School was held on the afternoon of Marcht 23rd. The newly elected officers were installed, and then a splendid program was presented. The next meeting will be at 2:30 Friday afternoon. Parents and friends are cordially invited to be present.

The Audubon Society of the Fifth and Sixth grades, led by their teachers, Miss Fletcher and Miss Paisley, took a hike out to Live Oak Lake last Friday. They enjoyed a good lunch and had a fine time, pulling into town in pairs amout 4:30, tired and happy.

SURPRISE FOR NEWCOMERS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Everett, of Kent, Ohio, are spending the winter at the Rodgers house, on Virginia avenue. They have so enjoyed St. Cloud's delightful climate that they have purchased two lots on Ohio avenue, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, and are building a house, which they will soon occupy. A very pleasant surprise party, in the form of a kitchen shower, was given them Friday evening. Many useful articles were received and a very pleasant evening enjoyed. Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. Pope, Rev. and Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Showalter, Mr. and Mrs. Meecham, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Haymaker, Miss Meecham, Mrs. William Moses, Mr. Samuel Buel, Joseph Rodgers, Jr., Miss Evelyn Scott, all of Kent, Ohio; and Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Homer Haymaker, of Pittsburg, Penna.

Vets' Association

Veterans' Association met at 2 p. m., March 31st. On account of sickness the president was absent. Vice president Beauchamp presided. Song, America. Prayer by Chaplain Westcott. Reading minutes of last meeting. After some minor changes, were approved. Song by choir, Home, Sweet Home. Visitors were introduced as follows. W. H. Stauffer, of Asbury Park, N. J., and Mrs. Riley, of Fair Hope, Alabama.

Collection amounting to $4.15 was taken up. Notices of meetings of state societies were given out. Song, Marching Through Georgia by the audience. The meeting was then turned over to Comrade Spaulding, of the 36th Wisconsin, in charge of social hour, which was as follows:

Uncle Ezra's story of his son John's enlisting and coming home a colonel, by Comrade Westcott, who requested Comrade Beaucshamp to take his place.

Address by Mrs. Cox.

Song and dance by Tom H. Allen.

A run-away wife, by Mr. McKay, which proved to be all a mistake, Mr. McKay was assisted by Mrs. Williams, who acted as the wife.

Violin music by Mr. John Andrist and Mr. Burch.

A comic talk by Hyron Sill, who as usual was heartily encored.

By Mr. Wood, On Board the Cumberland as she sank with the crew fighting as she went under the water.

A dialogue and dance by the Malones, Mr. Spaulding as Malone and Miss Nina Wood as Mrs. Malone.

This being the last on the program the audience arose and sang the Star Spangled Banner and adjourned.

Mr. Spaulding and all who took part did well and were appreciated by the audience. Certainly they have the thanks of all for their splendid entertainment.

J. S. Brown,
Secretary.

Priscilla Club

The Priscilla Club held its meeting at the home of Mrs. L. U. Zimmerman on March 16th, with President Sage in the chair, and eighteen members and some visitors present. Was opened by repeating the Lord's prayer in unison. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Goff reported that the committee appointed to see the church board had not learned anything regarding the new class room. It was decided to adjourn early so that the members might go to the church and determine the location of their proposed class room. Mrs. Zimmerman suggested that we furnish something to sew on at our future meetings. Carpet rags were decided upon as a good proposition for us to work on. The following new members added were Mesdames Cowden, Beauchamp, Camel, and Miss Mallory. Mrs. Goff turned into the treasury fifty cents which was donated to the club by Mrs. Ira Scott. The collection netted $1.40. The meeting adjourned and was turned over to the hostesses, Mesdames Zimmerman and Beauchamp, who served delicious ice cream and cookies, which were greatly enjoyed by all. Before leaving for the church we were much interested in looking over a collection of Mrs. Zimmerman's beautiful hand-painted china.

The club met at the M. E. parsonage on March 30th. Mrs. Sage presided, with sixteen members and two visitors present—Mrs. Dr. Holloway and Mrs. Fern Adams. Mrs. Goff opened the meeting with Scripture reading, Mt. 7, and the Lord's Prayer in unison. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Mrs. Goff reported that the class room in the new addition would be 12x12, with one window. It was suggested that we use the primary room; there is more light and ventilation. After some discussion a motion was made and seconded that we take the primary room. On motion we pledged ourselves to furnish a piece of furniture for the new annex. Mesdames Bower and Johnson were appointed to see about the room and Mrs. Kenney to look after the advertising of the Apron and Easter Food sale. The new business being introduced, it was suggested that we make some money by tying quilts for whoever wants the work done, and that we charge twenty-five cents for tying the quilt and twenty-five cents to finish binding. The proceeds are to go into the treasury. Mrs. Bower has a quilt for us to work on at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned to meet at Mrs. Bower's home, April 13th, at the usual time. The hostess, Mrs. Northrop, treated us to tempting sandwiches of two kinds, pickles, cake and cocoa. After the refreshments she gave us a puzzling game to solve. Mrs. Sage won the most correct number. Mrs. Ethel Reed brought something in for us to guess what it was. None guessed correctly. It proved to be a cocoanut, which fell down, nearly hitting her head, while she was in Miami. She picked it up and took it home as a memento of that little incident.

Mrs. F. E. Phillpott,
Press Cor.

CHURCH NOTICES

Services will be held at the Catholic church on Good Friday, April 6. Subject, "Way of the Cross," and reading of the Passion; from 2:30 to 3 p. m. Mass, Easter Sunday, April 8. All welcome.

Rigt. Rev. Cameron Mann, Bishop of Southern Florida, visited St. Luke's Mission on Tuesday, March 27, and held evening service in the Guild Hall. A class of five was presented for confirmation.

The Bishop's sermon was listened to attentively by a large congregation. Rev. L. H. Kirkby, of Kissimmee, assisted in the service. The decorations were white roses, and were very beautiful.

Last Sunday being Palm Sunday, the services at the Guild Hall were appropriate to the day. The decorations were confined to palms. The Offertory solo was sung by Mr. Frank Gilbert.

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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY
Pathe Gold Rooster
LITTLE BABY OSBORN IN
"JOY AND THE DRAGON"
The little fellow that takes joy and gladness with him wherever he goes.

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Triangle Keystone
Triangle Keystone and two-act drama fill out our program.

TUESDAY
LILLIAN WALKER IN
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RULES OF FEEDING THE GROWING CHILD DURING THE SECOND YEAR

Much of the illness and suffering among babies commonly attributed to the "second summer," or to teething is actually due to errors in feeding. The baby's delicate digestive mechanism, accustomed to dealing only with milk, can not all at once undertake the task of adjustment to a varied diet of solid foods, but must be strengthened by the gradual addition of new foods until the organs are trained to more complicated operations. The safe rule for feeding the baby is to add but one new food at a time to his dietary. To watch carefully the effect of each one and to withdraw it and return to the simpler diet at the first sign of trouble. These rules are particularly important in summer, when a baby is more readily upset.

The following list shows the day's meals for a baby in his second year:

7 a. m.—Milk, zwieback toast, or dried bread.

9 a. m.—Orange juice.

10 a. m.—Cereal, cup of milk.

2 p. m.—Broth, meat, vegetable, stale bread, baked apple.

6 p. m.—Cereal, milk, toast or bread.

10 p. m.—Milk (may be omitted.)

Milk.—At this time the baby should be taking about one quart of milk in 23 hours; part of this may be poured over the cereal.

Cereals.—Oatmeal should be cooked three hours, with a little salt in the water. It should be served without sugar, or with a very little only. The lighter cereals should be cooked at least an hour.

Breads.—Bread for young children must have been thoroughly baked and should be quite dry when used, that is, at least two days old. Tender toast is made by cutting thin slices from such a loaf and allowing them to dry still more, then toasting them to a delicate brown over a quick fire. Toast thus made is crisp all the way through and may be used in many ways. Many children will like to eat it broken into bits in broth or milk. Hot breads and biscuits, griddle cakes, and muffins are not suitable for young children.

Fruit.—The child may have a small portion of baked apple or prunes once a day in addition to his morning feeding of orange juice. The apple should be baked very tender, and all the skin, seeds and hard parts should be removed. Prunes should be very carefully washed, soaked all night, then cooked until very tender with very little sugar. A small portion of the strained pulp may be given instead of apple, and the juice may be used also.

Meat.—The child may have about a tablespoonful of scraped meat, or a soft-boiled or coddled egg once a day. Beef broiled, boiled, or roasted, the tender part of a lamb chop, or the delicate meat of chicken or fish may be used. All meat should be scraped or minced very fine, as no child of this age can be trusted to chew it properly.

Vegetables.—A small portion of some properly cooked green vegetable, like spinach or tender string beans may be given. Such vegetables should be fresh. They should be cooked, then drained and mashed or strained through a colander.

Alarming rumors last week to the effect that the Long Key extension of the Florida East Coast railwal was to be blown up caused the company to request that a squad of the Florida National Guard be detailed to patrol the costly concrete causeway south of Marathon and, in accordance with the request, Capt. Wigginton ordered men of the Miami company to proceed at once to Marathon and take up guard duty for the protection of the extension.

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THE STATE TAX COMMISSION ADVOCATES REFORM IN TAX LAWS

The obvious present need in Florida is the development of the state tax commission into a body clothed with ample power and resources to control in an effective manner the administration of the tax laws of the state. It goes without question that to the faulty administration of the tax laws is chargeable the chaotic conditions that have for so long been prevalent in the state.

There is no question that a central head to the administrative end of the question is essential, if tax equalization is to be had. The people of Florida have been aware of this fact for many years, and so insistent was the demand for justice in taxation that the legislature of 1913 met the situation by the creation of a tax commission, giving it limited power and requiring it to do great things, much greater than the power conferred would permit it to do; however, the commission has tried to do all that was required of it, and has done many things worthy of note, but by far the greatest single feat accomplished by the commission was in pulling out of their hiding place the Flagler millions at St. Augustine and putting this vast fortune on the tax books of St. Johns county. If the commission had done nothing else, this one act more than justifies the wisdom of the 1913 legislature in providing for such a body.

Absurd Valuations

Think of the absurd valuations on this fortune by the county authorities, only $75,000, when the appraisers showed more than forty-six millions! This amply refutes the argument that local officers can be depended on and expected to handle the situation. It has been more than 70 years since Florida became a state in this great sisterhood of states, and the county officials have never properly coped with the situation. Various influences are brought to bear on them, which makes it very hard for them to always do their duty, even when they try to do so, hence the necessity for a central supervising head, and this head should be clothed with ample authority to compel, when necessary, obedience to its instructions. This is absolutely necessary if equalization of the tax burden is to follow.

While the commission has done many things, there are many other matters it has tried to handle, but has not met with success, because of lack of specific power, and in asking the legislature for more power, it is done in the interest of the masses, as it is indisputable fact that the man of moderate means and the poor man have paid more in proportion to the value of their property for the support of the state and local governments than has the man of great wealth. These last have always been able somehow, to "get from under" where taxes are concerned. The tax commission, with the powers asked, can change the old order of things, and place a just tax on these wealthy property owners, and, in doing that, will relieve the poor man of an unjust tax.

The tax commission should have ample power to prevent county commissioners from doing as the St. Johns county board did in the Flagler matter, where they reduced the valuation from $16,000,000 to $5,000,000. If the commission had had the power it could, and would, have prevented this outrageous action, and have saved $71,500 taxes that, through the actions of this St. Johns county board, was lost to the state.

Has Commission Made Good?

What does the public think of this? Has the tax commission made good? Has it not justified its existence? Give it all the power it needs and watch the tax rates go down!

The commission hopes to show to the legislature the imperative necessity of granting it more power, and the necessity for broadening the scope of its operations, by giving it control over the entire administration of the assessment of property, including railroads and telegraph companies. If this power is given it will be of vast benefit to the tax payers of the state.

The commission also hopes to have enacted at this session a law taxing inheritances. This will prove to be a fruitful source of revenue, and will tend to reduce the amount necessary to be raised through the general property tax.

It hopes to have a gross receipt tax on railroads substituted for the present "ten dollars a mile" license tax, which is a discrimination against the small roads. The short lines should not pay as much license tax per mile as the large trunk lines; any one who will give a moment's thought to this proposition will agree that the trunk lines should pay more than the short lines, which is not the case now.—Tal-Tallahassee Dispatch.

THE TORRENS SYSTEM

The Torrens system for land title registration, instead of the crude, primitive, clumsy, uncertain method now in use, is surely on the way and before many years is certain to be adopted in Florida. Some member of the next legislature who has a mind above the ordinary ought to thoroughly study this system and introduce a bill to make it law in Florida. It might not pass at the coming session, but it could be debated and explained, and the press could give it publicity and the people be informed about it and in due time it would be enacted into law. Judge Blount, of Pensacola, who has been called the ablest lawyer in the state, and who has made an exhaustive study of the Torrens system, in a speech before the Real Estate Board in Jacksonville last week declared that a Torrens land title was as good as a bank note and that the Torrens system would be of untold benefit to Florida.—Gadsden County Times.

IDLE BOYS ARE MISCHIEVOUS BOYS GENERALLY

The Boy Scouts Turn His Activities In the Right Direction

There are no bad boys. We make this statement confidently, knowing that it will be endorsed by educators and all those who have spent their lives in working on the boy problem. We will defend it in spite of all the broken windows, stolen oranges and canned dogs in Christendom.

There are weak boys, boys who lack resourcefulness, boys whose idels of right and wrong are distorted, but there never was a boy who did not naturally, consciously or unconsciously, do the things which he believed to be right.

The trouble comes, as the scout leaders have found, when parents, teachers and the others who are responsible for the youngster's development fail to fill his time with useful activity. The forces of nature must operate. We cannot stop them while we take our afternoon nap. The wind must blow, the water must flow, and the boy's brain and muscles must work. We put a windmill in the path of the wind and the unseen force draws water as joyously as it upsets the chairs on the veranda and whisks the family wash from the line. We put a water wheel in the stream and it grinds the grain with the energy which it would otherwise dissipate in washing out its banks and rooting out the trees. These things we know, yet too often we permit youthful energy, our most valuable asset, to run riot. We even attempt to dam it and then complain because it slops over and does damage.

The boy scout program is the mill in the stream of boyhood. It provides something useful for every boy to do every minute. Knot-tying, first aid and bandaging, signalling, trailing and tracking, fire building and extinguishing, camp cooking, swimming, earning and saving money, hiking, map making and map reading and the practical study of flowers, plants, trees, earth and sky, are included in the scout's program for the first year. After these a much broader field is opened, including foundation work in every known trade and profession.

A boy's first idle moment is the starting point of whatever trouble he makes in the world. It is also the big opportunity for the man who is wise enough and patriotic enough to turn national energy into constructive channels. Already nearly 200,000 boys are engaging in scout activities in this country, and the movement is only five years old.—Reprinted from Scouting.

WHY POLITICIANS OPPOSE

"In every state where women are permitted to vote the grafting politician has been forced to keep his hands out of the state till. No wonder the grafters everywhere are opposed to women entering politics, and not for the sake of chivalry, of course."—Tribune Chief, Quanah, Texas.

During the past week there was shipped out of Jacksonville the following cars of Florida products: mixed vegetables, 3 cars; lettuce, 28 cars; celery, 228 cars; tomatoes, 8 cars; potatoes, 8 cars; cabbage, 133 cars; strawberries, 60 cars; grapefruit, 70 cars; oranges, 124 cars; a total of 660 cars. Not so bad for a state whose crops were ruined (?) by frost only a few weeks ago.

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More men are enlisting in the navy now than ever before in the history of the country. These are the young men who are an honor to themselves and their country and of whom every real American has just reason to be proud. There are thousands more men just like these and the navy needs their service—not some time, if we have war—but NOW.

The duty of filling the navy rests primarily with the citizens, and every American citizen who is worthy of the name should do his part in helping to man our ships, and it is up to the people to man them. There is no time to lose. If the navy is called we want every unit of the fleet to go out fully manned with trained men.

There is a prevalent idea among civilians that "the only time to render service to your country is in time of war." Also there has been much talk to the effect that we can rise up in our might over night and send forth an invincible navy and army that some believe it. Such false ideas are to be deplored and should be dispelled at once. Men for the navy must be trained before they can render their country efficient service. t

It is to be regretted that some parents not only use their influence to prevent their sons from enlisting but in many cases refuse to sign the age certificate required. It is the patriotic privilege of parents to inculcate in their sons love of country and that his first duty to his country and those who fail do not their duty clearly.

It is urged on all leaders of community thought to consider seriously the critical situation, the imperative need of the navy, the necessity to be prepared to act quickly, and to co-operate with recruiting oficers in putting the facts squarely before the people.

No more patriotic service can be rendered than to help make the navy what is required in size.

Respectfuly,

H. R. Keller,
Lieutenant (J. G.) U. S. Navy

Work is rapidly nearing completion on the lakes canal system, by which some twenty-three lakes in the Winter Haven vicinity are being connected by a system of canals connecting each with the other and extending for nearly forty miles in a straight line, affording a beautiful water way for both pleasure and commercial purposes.

Times are not so dull for the man with a little energy, says the Plant City Courier. A planter can drive into town with his little wagon—or Ford—bring two or three crates of berries, three or four baskets of beans and a dozen hampers of cabbage and receive in turn from $40 to $50. That twenty packages of truck will not be a heavy load. There's money in Florida soil, especially when the market is receptive.

Ocala citizens at a mass meeting last Saturday raised $100,000 for investment in a beef packing plant.

The first beans of the season moved from Center Hill on the 26th. The growers refused $7 per hamper for the shipment.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE.
STATE OF FLORIDA.

In re Estate of Henry Hockman } Osceola County.

To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of Henry Hockman, deceased, late of Osceola County, Florida, to the undersigned administrator of said estate, within two years from the date hereof.

Dated Feb. 24, A. D. 1916.

GEO. W. WOODARD,
Administrator.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE.
STATE OF FLORIDA.

In re Estate of Henry H. Coble } Osceola County.

To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of Henry H. Coble, deceased, late of Osceola County, Florida, to the undersigned executrix of said estate, within two years from the date hereof.

Dated March 28, A. D. 1917.

CAROLINE F. COBLE,
Executrix.

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SCALDS, GALLS, SCRATCHES, SORES, HURTS, SCREW WORMS

To make the bes tcure for such troubles, buy a pint of linseed oil, if you prefer a healing oil, or a pound of hog lard or vaseline if you want a salve, and add a 50c bottle of Farris Healing Remedy. It simply can't be beat by any salve or liniment made. And see what you get—a full pint for not over 60 cents. Farrise Healing Remedy is sold by us on the Money Back Plan.—H. C. Hartley.

READY FOR SEA ATTACK

The coast of Holland is guarded night and day. The sand dunes, which provide a wonderful natural barrier, have been fortified with hidden guns. The towns and villages situated behind the dunes are well garrisoned, and an excellent system of roads running parallel with the coast enable the Dutch government to transport artillery and infantry to any threatened spot within less than an hour, according to the National Geographic Magazine. Torpedo boats and a flotilla of submarines patrol the coast at all times. Thus far they have been able to save the lives of many shipwreked sailors, but they have not been called upon to do active service.

Clay County: More corn is being planted in the county than ever before and two carloads of velvet bean seed have been ordered for planting. There are six tractor plows running night and day, besides hundreds of teams preparing to plant feed stuffs this year. The general activity moves a farm poet to say: "I lately visited the Walkill farms, erstwhile so bleak and drear, and the tractors gay were chugging away where the bullfrogs chugged last year."

Hillsborough County: Mr. Pringle has been plowing under all vegetation on his land after the crops were off each year and breaking the land deeper at each plowing. He plows now to a depth of seven or eight inches. He says that his corn crop is twice as much as it was before he began the practice.

Citrus County: The county agent made plans for the entire community to grow hogs instead of cotton for a money crop, and the plan is being adopted quite readily throughout the county.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OSCEOLA CO. BOARD OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Kissimmee, March 5, 1917.

The School Board met in regular session, there being present W. C. Bass, chairman; W. R. Lanier and J. H. Baisden; also C. E. Yowell, superintendent.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

State Bank of Kissimmee, county school depository, reported as follows:

Balance on hand from last report	$6,641.55
To amount received from T. M. Murphy, county judge	54.50
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	760.89
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	51.00
To amount received from Ernest Amos, comptroller	89.74
To amount received from	
To amount received from Ernest Amos, comptroller	574.65
C. L. Bandy, tax collector	766.61
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	4.00
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	225.00
	$9,167.94
By paid warrants as per list	4,301.88
By balance	$4,866.06

S. S. D. No. 1 Fund

To bal. from last report	$970.52
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	157.77
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	116.21
	$1,244.50
By paid warrants as per list	207.02
By balance	$1,037.48

S. S. D. No. 2 Fund

To bal. from last report	$84.28
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	42.88
	$127.16
By paid warrants as per lits	25.00
By balance	$102.16

S. S. D. No. 3 Fund

To bal. from last report	$1,646.45
To amount received from Tax collector	41.03
	$1,687.48
By paid warrants as per list	67.57
By balance	$1,619.91

S. S. D. No. 4 Fund

To bal. from last report	$3,505.23
tax collector, taxes	32.64
	$3,537.87
By paid warrants as per list	48.50
By balance	$3,489.37

S. S. D. No. 5 Fund

To bal. from last report	$184.42
To amount received from C. L. Bandy, tax collector	10.67
	$195.09
By paid warrants as per list	5.00
By balance	$190.09

S. S. D. No. 6 Fund

To bal from last report	$25.03
C. L. Bandy, tax collector	2.03
By balance	$27.06

Roma Thomas, Cashier.

Warrants were examined and cancelled in open session as follows:

General Fund	$4,301.88
S. S. D. Fund No. 1	207.02
S. S. D. Fund No. 2	25.00
S. S. D. Fund No. 3	67.57
S. S. D. Fund No. 4	48.50
S. S. D. Fund No. 5	5.00

Bills were approved and warrants issued as follows:

C E Yowell, sal sup	$125.00
W C Bass, M B P I	4.00
W R Lanier, M B P I	5.40
John H Baisden, M B P I	13.00
C B Woodall, jan	45.00
Mrs J R Figart, jan	27.00
Presb Church, rent	8.33
Bratton & Guice, rent	5.00
Miss Albina Smith, serv can club	50.00
J S Cadel, legal services	12.00
R D Brown, serv sch 1	25.00
R M Evans, sal teacher	225.00
Miss Almenia Leitner, do	100.00
B M Davidson, do	100.00
Miss Louise Clark, do	80.00
Miss Clara Ledbetter, do	80.00
Miss Frances Langston, do	65.00
Miss Ethel Crawford, do	65.00
Miss Lola Lawler, do	65.00
Miss Virgil Kent, do	65.00
Miss Cleo Woolridge, do	65.00
Mrs F C Bryan, do	65.00
Mrsc F C Edwards, do	65.00
Mrs J W Trammell, do	65.00
Miss Cecelia Overstreet, do	65.00
Miss Louise Thomason, do	65.00
Miss M C Bryan, do	65.00
Miss Lilian Dale, do	65.00
Miss Medora Russell, do	65.00
Miss Ruth Clark, do	65.00
Miss Lucy Witherspoon, do	65.00
Miss Emma Yowell, do	75.00
Miss Elon Guice, do	50.00
Miss Nellie McQuarrie, do	75.00
J E Williams, do	40.00
Miss Sarah Miller, do	40.00
Miss Lilian Prentis, do	50.00
Miss Lottie Doolittle, do	40.00
Miss Edna Schweikart, do	50.00
Miss Effie Bass, do	45.00
Mrs C H Blocker, do	40.00
P J Franklin, do	65.00
Mrs P J Franklin, do	40.00
Miss Elsie Patton, do	40.00
R R Riley, do	100.00
Mrs Laura Lee, do	70.00
P A Northrop, do	65.00
Miss Mertie Fletcher, do	55.00
Miss Katherine Shadoan, do	55.00
Miss Star Paisley, do	55.00
Miss Emma Tyson, do	55.00
Miss Lilian Ide, do	55.00
Miss Ruby Bass, do	55.00
Miss Fleda Doolittle, do	55.00
Miss Jessie Doolittle, do	40.00
Mrs. Rhoda Lucas, do	40.00
Miss Mary Pherigo, do	40.00
W N Zanders, do	55.00
Pearl Johnson, do	35.00
S B Simmons, do	35.00
M A Johnson, do	35.00
L. L. Jordan, do	45.00
Hattie King, do	35.00
Miss Orpha Rose, do	45.00
Marle Williams, do	65.00
Miss Lessie May, do	40.00
Miss Mattie Tyson, do	35.00
Mrs Eunice Richardson, do	45.00
Cora Guelding, do	35.00
Daisy D Jones	30.00
Miss Bettie Pherigo, da	80.00
R D Guice, election insp	2.00
J M Gardner, do	2.00
H N Bratton, do	2.00
A E Thomas, clerk insp	2.00
C E Yowell, spelling prizes	10.00
Osceola Fair Assn, tickets	83.70
Frank Franklin, wood	4.00
Thomas Sallett, wood	4.00
C W Griffin, sup	13.15
Valley Gazette, printing	89.38
Kissy Tel Co,	2.50
Osceola Hdw Co, sup	14.65
Waters-Carson Co, sup	4.80
A R Jackson, repairs	5.50
R M Evans, sup	6.20
Wenner-Sawyer Co, sup	20.47
James Sanders, jan	8.00
Miss Iva Nighswonger, sup	1.75
W E Bass, wood	3.70
Geo J Clark, rent	30.00
Miss Edna Schweikart, sup	1.25
Miss Louise Thomason, sal	65.00
R. R. Riley, sal teacher	25.00
Mrs Laura Lee, do	10.00
P A Northrop, do	10.00
Miss Mertie Fletcher, do	10.00
Miss Katherine Shadoan, do	10.00
Miss Star Paisley, do	10.00
Miss Emma Tyson, do	10.00
Miss Lilian Ide, do	10.00
Miss Ruby Bass, do	10.00
Miss Fleda Doolittle, do	10.00
R R Riley, sup	6.45
Durham's Dept Store, sup	2.25
H & W B Drew Co, sup	14.51
J R Figart, attendance offices	32.00
Ryan Bros, sup	6.00
Central Scientific Co, sup	.26
Mrs C H Blocker, salary	15.00
Miss Mattie Tyson, do	5.00
Daisy D Jones, do	5.00
J E Williams, do	5.00
P J Franklin, do	25.00
Mrs P J Franklin, do	10.00
Mrs O R Beebe, trans pupils	25.00
Mrs Rhoda Lucas, rep	2.85
Mrs Rhoda Lucas(do	5.00
R E Willis, Supplies	.90
Miss Mary Pherigo, teacher	5.00
Sandlin Carter, trans pupils	10.00
Marle Williams, teacher	25.00
Miss Lessie Hayc, do	10.00
W W Chandler, trans pupils	10.00
Miss Lillian Prentiss, salary	5.00
A J Nystrom & Co, sup	91.01
G B Lawson, wood	2.00
W W Chandler, trans pupils	10.00

The board received a petition from the citizens of Bull Creek requesting that an election be called for the purpose of establishing a special tax school district. On motion, duly seconded, the board ordered the petition published, according to law.

Bids for furnishing material and constructing sidewalks around the school lot at St. Cloud were opened and found as follows:

C. J. Rothrock, 12 cents per square foot, and all fills and cuts to be made without charge.

W. J. Mallett, 12 cents per square foot, and thirty cents per cubic yard for hauling dirt for fills.

M. Norse, 12 cents per square foot.

On motion of Mr. Lanier, seconded by Mr. Baisden, the contract was awarded to C. J. Rothrock, all work to be guaranteed by him to meet the requirements of the city ordinances of St. Cloud; and the chairman of the board was directed to sign a contract with Mr. Rothrock.

A communication was received from John R. Story in regard to the purchasing of the old Lanier school house. The matter was referred to Mr. Baisden to investigate and report at the next meeting of the board.

On account of the crowded condition of the primary department of the St. Cloud school, the board appointed Miss Jessie Doolittle as assistant primary teacher at a salary of $40 per month.

The board having received the returns from the election held in School District No. 1, at Kissimmee, Florida, on March 3rd, 1917, for the purpose of determining whether or not compulsory school attendance shall prevail in said district, upon motion duly seconded, proceeded to canvass said returns, which were found as follows:

Total number of votes cast, 170.

For compulsory school attendance, received 154 votes.

Against compulsory school attendance, received 7 votes.

Ballots incorrectly marked, 9.

The board finding said election was held pursuant to law, and that three-fifths of the total number of votes cast were for compulsory school attendance, declared that compulsory school attendance had carried in said district.

There being no further business the board adjourned until the next regular meeting, Monday, April 2nd, 1917.

W. C. Bass,
Chairman.

Attest:
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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ONLY INTERESTED IN TICK ERADICATION

It has come to our attention that a few people think the Federal government and State Livestock officials have something to do with the no-fence law campaign, which is being agitated in some communities, in connection with tick eradicatfon work.

It is desired that every person who is laboring under that misapprehension should disabuse their minds of those ideas, for some of the largest areas freed of cattle fever ticks have been in open range country and it has been the experience of tick eradicators that the open range districts offer less inconvenince to the cattle owners than the small farm districts.

The idea of this movement is to exterminate a serious cattle disease, known as splenetic, or southern cattle fever, which has resulted in a quarantine of the affected territory for nearly twenty-five years.

Naturally a movement of such magnitude, originally affecting the whole or parts of fourteen states, seriously affects the people in their commerce with cattle.

Certain facts in connection with this disease, which is known to be transmitted by the cattle fever ticks, were almost unbelievable on the part of a number of persons in the early days.

Therefore it was expected by the officials in charge of tick eradication work that until such persons became informed and put aside all prejudice in the matter, they would form false notions and undertake to hinder the movement which is established to serve their own interests.

Experience during the past twelve years of tick eradication work has demonstrated that in completing the work in 441 counties in the states affected, opposition has arisen on the part of a few people.

However, a majority of those people who did show some opposition before the work was completed have graciously apologized for their ignorance and opposition.

When the work of tick eradication is established in a county, it is so simple that the people are highly pleased, and when the work is completed, a marked headway is made in improving the quality of cattle which can be marketed without the tick fever quarantine restrictions, to the satisfaction of all concerned.

A careful, unbiased study of this condition, which is seriously affecting the cattle industry of Florida, should convince everyone that immediate eradication of the cattle ticks is desirable.

The tick eradication department of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, co-operating with state and county officials, cattle owners and agricultural agencies, is interested only in the eradication of the cattle fever ticks.

Plant City is still shipping berries by the car load with prices ranging from 8 to 15 cents. Starke is also in the berry market, with shipments of 1,000 quarts daily, which is expected to reach 2,000. Beans, cabbage and potatoes at Starke are coming on in good shape. Cotton and corn are also looking well. Over one hundred acres of sweet corn have been planted and it is doing fine.

Winter Garden and Oakland have furnished the eastern markets more than half the lettuce that has been leaving the state for the past three weeks. Wonderful prices have been realized on this product alone, a few shipments reaching as high as $8 and $9 per hamper.

Bank deposits in the combined banks of Miami, according to their statements this month, amounted to more than nine million dolars. Bank deposits in that city have trebled in the past two years.

The legislature at its next session will be asked to pass a law establishing a closed fishing season in Lake Okeechobee during the months of June, July and August.

COMMUNITY BREEDING MUCH CHEAPER

One Breed of Stock In a Community Has Other Advantages

Community breeding has been one of the chief factors in the development of the popular strains of live stock—cattle, horses, sheep and swine. Proper breeding and careful selection has been necessary, but the fact remains that most of the successful work has been done through community effort, says J. M. Scott, of the University of Florida experiment station. And it is a way that might well be followed in Florida.

When farmers in a county or community all raise the same breeds of hogs and cattle, they can exchange sires whenever necessary, saving the expense of buying a new sire every two or three years. This alone would means a big saving. If the sires are well cared for, they should continue in service until they are eight or ten years old. An old sire of known value as a breeder is of much more value than a young, untried one. This may be contrary to the opinions of some who are just beginners in the live stock business, says Mr. Scott, but the experienced stockman knows the value of tried sires.

Community breeding is of importance in selling. Buyers often want a carload of animals, if they are to ship them any distance, which means that buyers will prefer communities where there are many animals to choose from, where they can get a car load just when they want without having to fill out on seconds.

One of the best advertisements for a community is the fact that the farmers are all raising one breed of stock. If the animals are well bred, the community soon becomes known the country over as the home of good live stock.

Naming a Hindu Baby

A Hindu baby is named when twelve days old, and usually by the mother, says the Irish World. Sometimes the father wishes for another name than that selected by the mother. In that case two lamps are placed over the two names, and the name over which the lamp burns the brighter is the one given to the child.

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DON'T JOYRIDE OR PLAY GOLF WHEN THE PANTRY IS EMPTY

Commissioner McRae Gives Good Advice Anent the High Cost of Living

W. A. McRae, Comr. of Agriculture, has written recently by a concern engaged in the manufacture of corn products. In effect the letter said that the firm could not supply new customers with syrup because the demand exceeded their factory's capacity, and that prices were advancing. Corn syrup is made from glucose, a form of sugar present in most forms of vegetation, but much less sweet than cane sugar. It is made by treating starch with diluted sulphuric acid and the resultant solid product is called grape sugar and the the syrup glucose. The latter term applies to a large group of sweet compounds and is symbolized in chemistry as $C_6H_{12}O_6$, so Capt. Rose tells me.

The commercial corn syrup is usually mixed with thirty per cent of cane syrup to give it needed sweetness. As easily as corn glucose is made—it being a gummy substance, and needs toning up with the real goods—cane syrup—yet, according to this manufacturer's letter not enough of it is run through the retorts to supply the demand.

Sugar cane is growing in every county of Florida and the world is calling for syrup and sugar. Capt. Rose, our state chemist, has urged the development of the sugar and syrup industry in Florida time and again. Instances are common where syrup has been produced in Florida to the value of $300 and more to the acre. Why is there not more cane syrup made in Florida? Cane forage too, is a good feed crop for live stock, made of syrup and ground forage, and grain is brought into the state by the car load. Why cannot this condensed feed be made here? The freight north on the syrup, and the freight south on the finished product could be saved.

Incidentally, stuff grown in the gardens, in the form of onions, cabbage and the like, is equally scarce and commands high prices. Under proper methods something can be grown in the open air in Florida in every month. The moral is, why are we not doing it—and help to keep down prices and have more to eat? Never was there a time when there should be more activity in the back yard behind every town home in Florida and on the farms.

It has been well said that the average farmer keeps his "garden on the grocery shelf," selling his own product at wholesale and buying everything at retail. That is what the one-crop farmer does. Just as long as our farmers live out of the grocery, buy hay and feed for mules and burn stubble, leaves, weeds and refuse intended by nature to make humus, just that long will Florida remain poor. The farmer who gathers his crops and burns the refuse is not unlike the burglar who carries away the valuables and then sets fire to the house.

An onion of ordinary size now is worth as much as an orange right here where we can grow both. With the smallest surplus of staples on hand known in our history, and unprecedented conditions abroad, which promises to push prices still higher, the year before us may witness more hunger riots in our cities. Hungry women and children have already made demonstrations in New York and Chicago.

Here is a country with 100,000,000 people, and more wealth—the banks bulging with funds accumulated from the sale of munitions of war and food stuffs—with a greater variety of resources, and more intelligence and energy than has ever been marshalled together in any civilized nation in all time, and yet there is widespread suffering. Another year of short crops as was the case last season and famine conditions will prevail. Does not the outlook demand more time and consideration to the opportunity. Mother Nature offers to tickle the ground and create more stuff to eat?

Florida is an agricultural state, and yet staple food products are scarce, the daily rations are being ensmalled, and some of the necessities are not to be had. With millions starving in Europe, and the supply of foodstuffs in America smaller than ever before, and added millions more to feed than ever before the situation demands serious attention.

Playing golf and baseball, walking around a pool table, joy riding, talking politics and going to the picture shows are well enough when the pantry is full. One available source to supply the pantry is from the garden, where not only exercise can be had, but profit. The old-fashioned garden of our forefathers seems to have gone out of fashion.

A TYPICAL FARM HOUSE IN ST. CLOUD

ENORMOUS PROFITS

Greece has made enormous profits from her merchant marine since the war began, says an exchange. Freight rates are so high that the proceeds of a single voyage are sometimes more than the entire value of the ship making it.

The acreage of Irish potatoes at Hastings this year is stated as 12,000 and the price is expected to open at about $8 for No. 1's.

WONDER WORKERS

Yes, that is what the Tribune want ads are known as, and they certainly live up to their reputation.

Little Ads Pay Big."

KISSIMMEE EXTENDS TO THE G. A. R. A WELCOME

(Continued from Page 1)

the mayor and promised to be "just as good as we can, but these girls are giddy, and the boys, I know, are more so."

The First Baptist Church was selected as headquarters for the official business of the meeting, as well as the Camp Fire of Wednesday night.

The Presbyterian Church was made the headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps, while the ladies of the G. A. R. were given the Howard Pos' rooms, in the Casino.

The main event of Tuesday was the parade which was scheduled for 11 a. m. The boys of 61 were boys no longer, but they followed, the flag with the same patriotic fervor, undiminished by age or infirmity, with which they followed it in the days of long ago. Headed by the drum corps, the veterans marched down Broadway, past the Graystone hotel, to the corner of Broadway and Dakin avenue. Here they stood with opened ranks and bared heads, while the Woman's Relief Corps approached from their headquarters, together with the ladies of the Grand Army Circle. They passed through the open lines of veterans and formed an arcade with their flags at the end of the line, and through which the old soldiers passed. This feature of the day was closed by singing of "America," after which the crowd dispersed to their various headquarters for the business sessions of the afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock.

A noteworthy feature of the parade was the flank gun guard of granddaughters and grandsons of Kissimmee's G. A. R. A youthful Uncle Sam in typical costume led the guard which consisted of twenty or more youngsters bearing flags. The captain of the guard was Mrs. M. E. Harman, and the maneuvers were under the direction of Comrade W. T. Vail.

There are twenty-seven posts of the Grand Army in the Department of Florida, numbering some 700 members. The headquarters of the Grand Army have been in Jacksonville for the past year, that city being the home of the department commander, W. H. Melrath, and also of the assistant adjutant and quartermaster general, E. P. Branch.

The Woman's Relief Corps has made Tampa its headquarters for the past year, its three principal officers being residents of that city. Mrs. Lizzie T. Davis is the department president, Mrs. Marie V. Randall is the department secretary, and Mrs. R. L. Turner the department treasurer. All are residents of Tampa.

Mrs. Mabel M. DeRyder, of Zephyrhills, is the senior vice department president and Mrs. Rosa Buesing, of Jacksonville, is the junior vice department president of the Woman's Relief Corps.

John A. Wallace of Tampa is the senior vice department commander and Edward LeLand of Kissimmee is the junior vice department commander of the Grand Army.

Wednesday was devoted to the business meetings of the different organizations, the election of officers and the Camp Fire in the evening. The elections seemed to be conducted with extraordinary unanimity, there being little electioneering or wire pulling.

In the Grand Army the election resulted as follows: Department Commander, Comrade John A. Wallace, of Tampa; Senior Vice Commander, Edward LaLond, of Kissimmee; Junior Vice Commander, B. B. Benson, of Gainesville; Assistant Adjutant General, C. B. Bristol, of Tampa; Judge Advocate General, Theodore W. B. Brake of St. Augustine; Medical Director, E. G. Farris, St. Cloud; Chaplain, J. B. Westcott, St. Cloud; Chief Mustering Officer, J. F. Bullard, St. Cloud; Council of Administration, W. H. Hall, St. Cloud, M. H. Porter of Kissimmee, C. V. Veach, Zephyrhills, G. B. Bruce, Tampa, C. Spencer, St. Augustine.

The selection of the meeting place for next year was left to the Council of Administration. Invitations were received from Daytona, St. Petersburg and Zephyrhills.

The Woman's Relief Corps also held an election resulting as follows: President, Mrs. E. Fleming, Tampa; Senior Vice President, Mrs. M. H. Porter, Kissimmee; Junior Vice President, Mrs. Jeffries, Zephyrhills; Chaplain, Mrs. Skinner, Gainesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Lydia Miles, St. Petersburg; Secretary, Mrs. Amelia Shaffer, Lakeland; Council, Mrs. Elizabeth Eversole, Lynn Haven; Mrs. Bertha Twitchell, St. Petersburg; Mrs. E. Cleveland; Mrs. Neca Smith, St. Augustine; Patriotic Instructor, Mrs. Frances J. VanDuzen, Kissimmee.

Immediately following the election the new officers were installed.

The Camp Fire was opened at 7:45 p. m., by Comrade LaLond, of Kissimmee. The invocation was followed by the song "America," the audience rising during the singing. Some fine instrumental music, which drew liberal applause, was given by Bert and Mrs. Snodgrass. There were songs and recitations, all of which seemed to please the audience. After these miscellaneous exercises came the short talks by various comrades. Comrade Bullard, of St. Cloud, was the first called upon and started the game in great shape. He expressed his pleasure in patriotic camp fires and amusingly contrasted the camp fires of the present with those of the strenuous days of the sixties. He was followed by several others, who were sometimes grave and sometimes gay, but generally interesting.

With the close of the Camp Fire the 34th annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Florida, came to an end. It was the general opinion of those taking part that it had been a very successful meeting.

There have been forty-one deaths in the Department of Florida in the past year, notwithstanding which the department has gained in membership.

One hundred and ninety-eight passengers boarded the train at St. Cloud Tuesday morning for Kissimmee. Some of them, of course, were winter residents, starting home, but the majority were enroute for the encampment. On Wednesday the number was about one hundred.

The men of national celebrity who were expected to be in attendance failed to put in an appearance.

Mr. James H. Greene, prominent citizen and Grand Army man, of Boston, who has been wintering at Hawks Park, near Smyrna, was in attendance at the encampment, and incidentally spent a day in St. Cloud. He expressed himself as much pleased with Florida's conditions.

Thirty fatherless children from France have been adopted by citizens of Jacksonville, and it is believed that at least one hundred more will find homes in that city.

Rev. F. M. Blalock will preach at the First Baptist Church Friday evening and Sunday.

GOVERNOR CATTS' RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE

Message a Lengthy One, Covering a Great Variety of Subjects

Governor Catts' message to the legislature, as might have been expected from the character of the man and the great variety of subjects demanding attention, is a long one.

He begins by advocating the re-codification of the laws and the elimination from the statute books of all antiquated, technical and obscure laws.

He advocates state-wide prohibition through the passage of a constitutional amendment; provision for meeting the requirements of the Federal Aid Road Act; economy in expenditures; adoption of an inheritance tax; more power to the state tax commission; increase of the state auditing board by one member, and the separation of insurance business from the state treasurer's office; criticises the Marianna school; commends the Boys and Girls Industrial School; recommends the abolition of the Bryan Primary law and a return to the two-primary system; advocates the adoption of the Initiative, Referendum and Recall; the investigation of all holdings of church property; demands that there shall be no closed institutions of any kind in the state; the same examination of all teachers, whether in public or private schools; reform of the libel laws; sale of Everglades land now held by the Internal Improvement Board, the proceeds after paying the debts of the board, to go to the state school fund; increased pensions for old soldiers; a separate reservation for the Seminole Indians; a privilege tax for the holding of large bodies of land; better shipping facilities for the producer; a lowering of the legal interest rate to six per cent, with eight per cent by special agreement; the appointment of a new official to be known as "The Friend of the Convicts."

These are the most important items in his recommendations to the legislature, although they do not comprise the full list, and he intimates that there are many others that he might bring up. To an ignorant outsider it would seem that the above list would furnish business for a sixty-day session.

"Old Boys" Patriotic As Ever

Resolved, That L. L. Mitchell Post No. 34, Department of Florida, Grand Army of the Republic, tender its services to President Woodrow Wilson in the event of war with Germany, to be used in any capacity that might be deemed best suited to them in the defence of our country and flag.

Done by order of the Post.

L. Q. Bower,
Senior Vice Commander.

No. 9297

REPORT
OF THE CONDITION OF
The First National Bank
At St. Cloud,
In the State of Florida, at the close of business on Mar. 5, 1917.

RESOURCES	DOLLARS
Loans and Discounts	$408,981.60
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	17,500.00
U. S. Bonds to secure Postal Savings Deposits	2,000.00
U. S. Bonds owned and unpledged	1,000.00
Bonds and securities pledged as collateral for State deposits	8,000.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds owned unpledged	17,513.23
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,950.00
Banking house	5,680.00
Furniture and fixtures	5,500.00
Other real estate owned	5,525.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents in reserve cities	20,560.87
Due from banks and bankers (other than above)	135,035.17
Outside checks and other cash items	266.08
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	176.05
	442.13
Notes of other National Banks	250.00
Federal Reserve notes	115.00
Lawful reserve in vault and with Federal Reserve Bank	35,000.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent on circulation)	875.00
Total	$667,251.91

LIABILITIES	DOLLARS
Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	475.39
Circulating notes	17,500.00
Demand deposits:	
Individual deposits subject to check	318,902.49
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	123,913.14
Certified Checks	1,740.64
Cashier's checks outstanding	13,503.54
Postal Saving deposits	1,908.83
State Deposits	7,000.00
	464,968.64
Time Deposits:	
Certificates of deposit	106,807.88
Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed	12,500.00
Total	$667,251.91

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF OSCEOLA, SS:

I, A. W. Gustus, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. W. GUSTUS, CASHIER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of Mar., 1917.

JAMES M. JOHNSTON,
Notary Public.

My commission expires October 19, 1918.

CORRECT—Attest:

WM. HALL,
EMIL GRAF,
W. H. ROWE,
Directors.

AMERICAN PEOPLE MUST LEARN TO EXERCISE GREATER ECONOMY

Manager of Big Grocery Company Gives Reasons For the High Cost of Living

(By Scott W. Allen, Gen. Mgr. L. W. Rogers Grocery Co.)

If there is any semblance of a lining to the cloud, it consists in the great lesson in economy which the American public has not only the opportunity of learning, but the absolute necessity. The price of foodstuffs has been high, abnormally so, but in my opinion there is no reason to expect relief. It is true that excessive prices and shortage of supply will no doubt give quite an impetus to the producing of foodstuffs, as the solemn obligation rests upeon everyone who possibly can, to raise some kind of food. This will, no doubt, lower prices of vegetables during the summer, but I urge everyone to put up canned goods of all kinds for future use.

Every housewife should save every preserve jar and jelly glass and put up just as much of this class of foods including vegetables, as she possibly can. And I do not hesitate to promise right here that if any woman puts up a surplus which she desires to dispose of, I will gladly take all she will let us have and pay cash for it.

Whether we have peace or war, there will be no improvement in prices for a year at least, as in my opinion a declaration of peace would open the seas to navigation and the starved-out nations would pay any price for our foodstuffs. Then if we mobilize a large army there would be a shortage of producers.

A few figures will doubtless give some light on the rapid advance in prices. Of course, all imports of food supplies has been cut off, and the increase in shipments abroad has been amazing. For instance, in 1913 this country shipped abroad $8,000,000 worth of canned fish, while last year more than $16,000,000 worth was exported. The export of condensed milk jumped from $1,944,788 in 1914 to $18,047,726 in 1916; canned vegetables from $1,587,359 in 1914 to $3,395,784 in 1916; canned meats from $6,000,000 in 1914 to over $16,000,000 last year, and of course everybody knows that we have been called upon to furnish bread to the world, which forced our wheat to the high water mark. This enormous demand from abroad at fancy prices causes a corresponding advance in prices at home.

There is but one way to meet the situation, and that is by exercising the strictest economy, by cutting out all waste, by learning the real value of foods and eliminating those which are extravagant. Many a family can live on half what they have heretofore wasted, and if necessity forces them to learn how to do this, it will be a blessing in disguise.

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

In Circuit Court, State of Florida, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Osceola County, in chancery. Frank Flake, complainant, vs. Margaret Flake, defendant. It appearing by affidavit appended to the bill filed in the above stated cause that Margaret Flake, the defendant therein named, is a resident of the State of Florida and that her present address and place of abode is unknown, and that she is over the age of twenty-one years: it is therefore ordered that said resident defendant be, and is hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint filed in said cause on or before Monday, the 7th day of May, 1917, otherwise the allegations of said bill will be taken as confessed by said defendant. It is further ordered that this order be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the St. Cloud Tribune, a newspaper published in said county and state, this the 5th day of April, 1917. J. L. Overstreet, Clerk Circuit Court. Circuit Court Seal. Johnston and Garrett, Solicitors for complainant. 32-4t

In Circuit Court, State of Florida, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Osceola County, Florida. In Chancery. Case No. 828. Arthur E. Donegan, complainant, vs. Elizabeth T. Gardner, et al, respondents. Foreclosure of mortgage. Notice of sale. To Elizabeth T. Gardner and I. Sidney Lambert, as trustees, and Ray VanderMeersch, Vina VanderMeersch and R. B. Woodham, and all whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that the undersigned, as special master in chancery heretofore appointed in this case will, acting under a final decree entered herein on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1917, offer for sale and sell at public auction in front of the court house door at Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, between the legal hours of sale, on the rule day in May, A. D. 1917, being the 7th day of May, A. D. 1917, for cash to the highest and best bidder for cash therefor, the W½ of the SW¼ of the SW¼ of Sec. 13, Tp. 25 South and R. 29 East, Tallaha, see Meridian, Osceola County, Florida. The complainant is, by said decree, authorized to be a bidder at said sale, and to be allowed credit on his bid after paying cost of court and attorney's fees in cash to the amount of the sums due him under said decree. Purchaser shall pay for deed. This 5th day of April, A. D. 1917. J. S. Cadell, as special master in chancery in the above case. 32-4t

WANT ADS

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—100 acres, ready for the plow, house, 7 rooms; large barn; ¼ mile of church; 3 stores, postoffice, depot; one crop should pay for it: E. J. James, St. Cloud. 11-tf

fine opportunity for subdivision.

FOR SALE—5-acre tract, all in cultivation, one mile of Narcoossee postoffice; 100 citrus trees of different kinds in fine shape, beginning to bear; 24 peach trees and other fruit trees; a good gardening spot; a new 6-room bungalow house, all plastered; two fire places, horse, wagon, buggy and all farm implements, for twenty-five hundred. A bargain. Come and see. Mrs. E. A. Johnson, Narcoossee, Fla. 21-tf

FOR SALE—On Alligator Lake, 20 acres; lots 34, 47, 48, 51. All grubbed, wire fenced; small house and barn. Want full value but will sell on any kind of terms. Go and see. Address Tribune, Ranch known as Dr. Beardsley. 29-tf

LOOK—For Sale Cheap, two lots, Crinston, Penn Ave. and 5th St. 26-tf

ONE CORNER lot in good part of town; one 5-acre tract, unimproved; $150 and $200. 28tf

FOR SALE—HOUSES

FOR SALE—House on Connecticut Ave. Bargain if taken at once. Apply John Armstrong, City. 23-tf

FOR SALE—Beautiful home, two miles from Winter Haven, Fla.; ten acres in oranges and grapefruit; ten acres truck and pasture land; five room house. Write J. H. Pike for price and further information. Eagle Lake, Fla. 21-tf

FOR TRADE

FOR TRADE—Lot 69, S. 17, T. 25, R. 30, and Lot 2, Blk. 149, for a Ford auto. One mile west of St. Cloud. No better 5-acre tract in Florida. Title O. K. Address J. B. W. Bennington, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. 30-3tp

MISCELLANEOUS

ANY ONE with an oil stove for sale write E. N. E., Box 138. 32-1tp

WANTED—Clean calico rags. Large pieces preferred. Tribune office 20-tf